

# American Woodmen Contab Set For Dallas; Exnert 10000

DALLAS, Texas ---More than 1,000 delegates and American Woodmen members from eight western and southwestern states will gather next week in Dallas, Texas, for the organization's Golden Anniversary Regional Meeting to be held June 27, 28 and 29.

Opening feature of the celebration will be a Twilight Parade on Wednesday, June 27, which will include crack American Woodmen drill teams and drum and bugle corps from cities throughout the region. This will be followed by the American Woodmen Golden Jubilee Address to be delivered by Dr. Lawrence A. Davis, President of Kansas State A. M. and N. College and president of the Conference of Presidents of Negro Land Grant colleges.

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Lawrence H. Lightner of Denver, Supreme Commander of The American Woodmen, will preside at the daytime business sessions of the conference, which will present informative and inspirational material to the delegates.

B. W. Goodwin, St. Louis Field Supervisor for the Woodmen will receive an award at the meetings as the organization's outstanding field worker for 1950.

Golden Jubilee, July 18-20

## American Woodmen Ready for Cleveland

CLEVELAND—More than 1,000 delegates and American Woodmen members from ten Eastern and Midwest states and the District of Columbia will gather here for the organization's golden anniversary regional meeting July 18, 19 and 20.

### LAST CONFERENCE

The Cleveland meeting is the last of three regional conferences being held this summer to mark the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the American Woodmen. A pioneer in the field of legal reserve fraternal life insurance, the American Woodmen has today close to 60,000 members in twenty-three states and the District of Columbia, with assets of six and one-half million dollars.

States to be represented at the Cleveland meeting are Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Eastern Missouri, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Maryland and the District of Columbia.

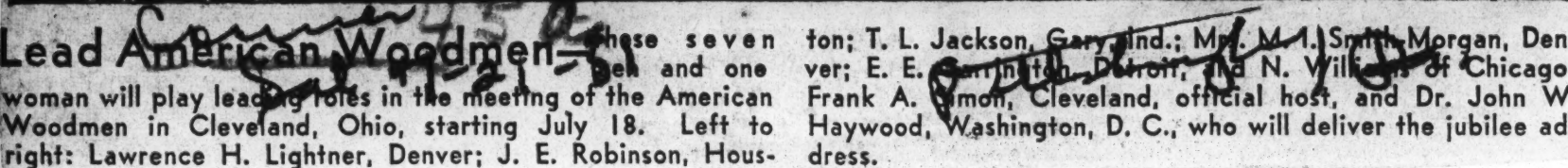
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Lawrence H. Lightner of Denver, supreme commander of the Woodmen, will preside at daytime business sessions of the conference, which will present informative and inspirational material to the delegates. Other national officers and members of the Woodmen's board of directors who will play important roles in the meeting include J. E. Robinson, vice supreme commander, of Houston; T. L. Jackson, supreme sentry, of Gary, Ind.; E. E. Carrington of Detroit and N. Williams of Chicago.





ton; T. L. Jackson, Gary, Ind.; Mrs. M. I. Smith, Morgan, Denver; E. E. Garfield, Detroit, and N. Williams of Chicago, Frank A. Simon, Cleveland, official host, and Dr. John W. Haywood, Washington, D. C., who will deliver the jubilee address.



## 100,000 Woodmen Fete Anniversary

DENVER, Col. — (ANP)—The American Woodmen, national Negro reserve fraternal life insurance corporation, celebrated its fiftieth anniversary simultaneously at 477 local camps and tents in twenty-three states and Washington, D. C., on Wednesday, April 4.

An estimated 100,000 members and friends attended the celebration.

### Great Racial Service

## Woodmen Celebrate 50th Year

LOS ANGELES — The gala parade preceding the public celebration marking fifty years of service by the American Woodmen Fraternal Insurance Association last Sunday at Paradise Baptist Church was a colorful and significant event.

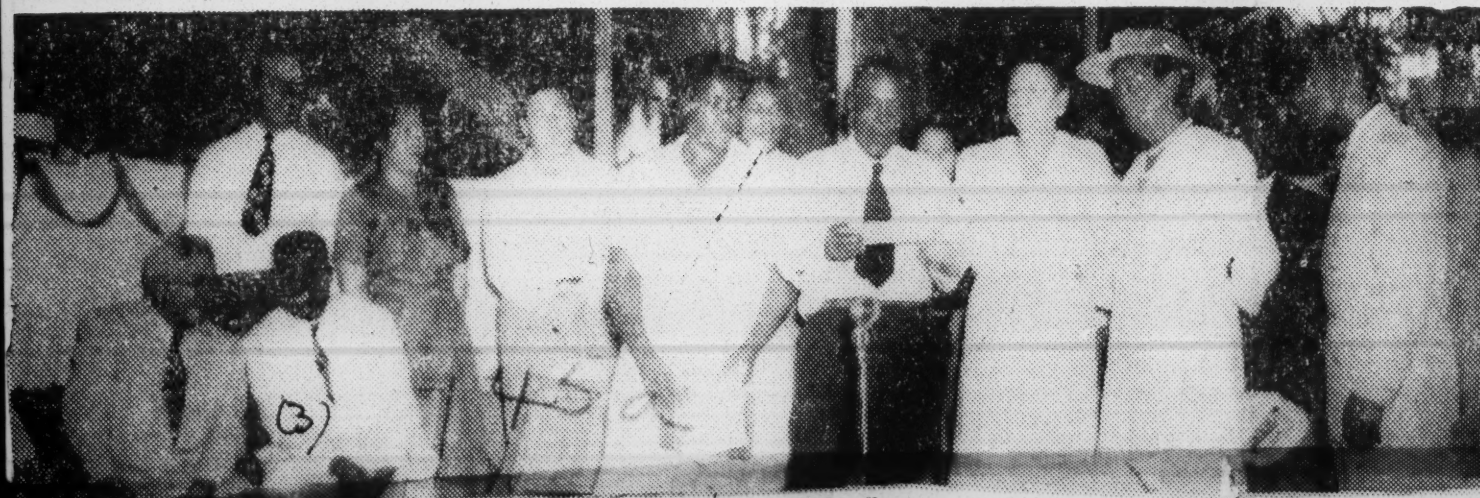
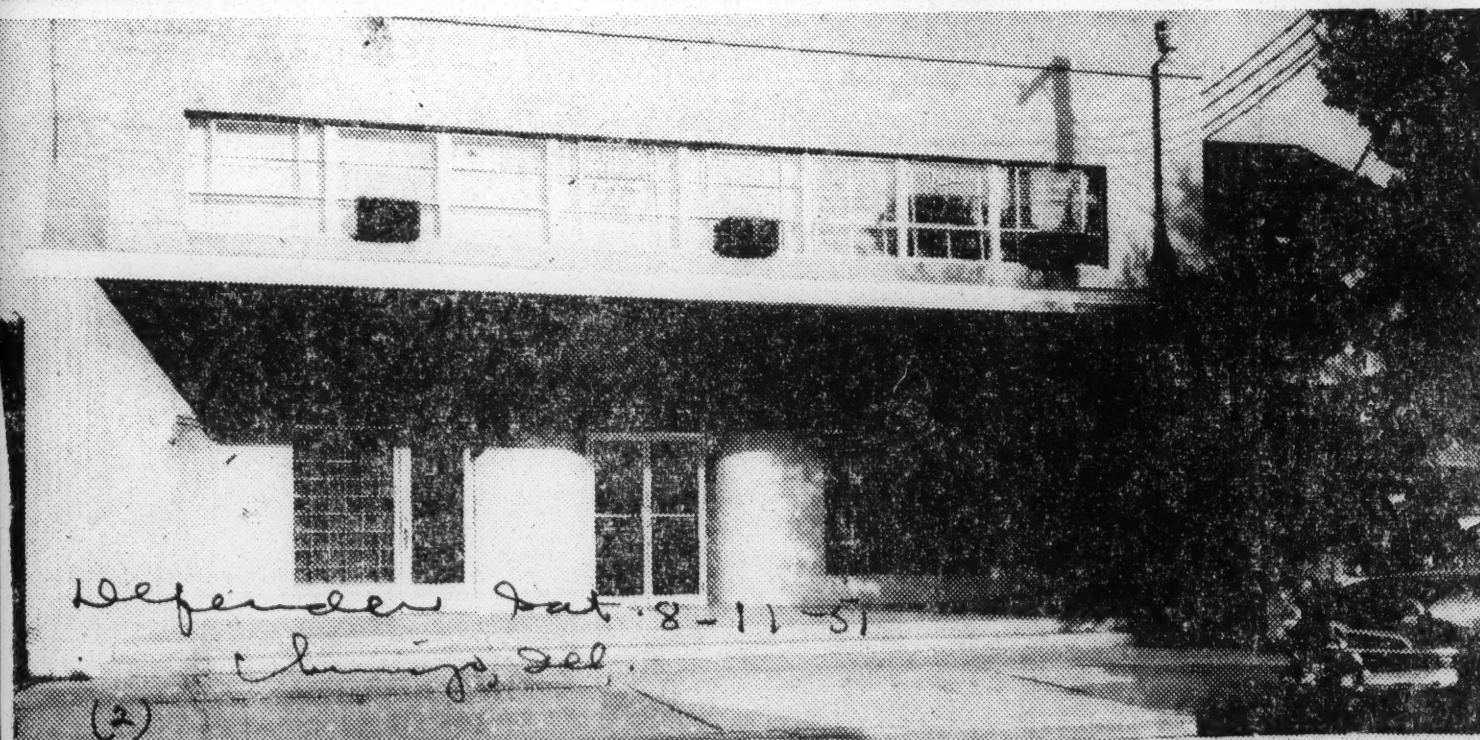
According to Mrs. O. M. Rhodes, supervising clerk, the Willowbrook High School Girls' Cadette Corps under Lieutenant Deleon and Girl Scout Troops 329 and 349, 704 and 1369, also participated.

### FORMED IN 1901

The American Woodmen was certified to conduct business on April 6, 1901 in Denver, Col.

At the close of 1950, it covered twenty-three states and the District of Columbia and had \$6,186,840.45 in assets. Lawrence H. Lightner, Supreme Commander of the association, has been a supreme officer since April, 1911, and is credited with the growth and solid financial condition of the American Woodmen.





**TEXAS COURT OF CALANTHE MAKES BIG FARM LOAN.** The Grand Court of Calanthe of Texas, a fraternal organization, conducted history last week when it became the first Negro organization in the Southwest to make an FHA loan to a Negro farm family. Eli Dillard of Kendleton, near Houston, and his family met the high qualifications required by the Farmer's Home Administration which guaranteed the loan, and received \$9,500. A great celebration with 1,500 persons present, marked the occasion.

Dr. R. O'Hara Lanier, president of Texas Southern university, delivered the principal address. He was presented by President E. B. Evans of Prairie View college. Top photo (from left): A part of the parade of 65 tractors owned by the 60 Negro farmers in the thriving community of Kendleton; Mrs. F. A. Robinson, secretary-treasurer and Mrs. V. A. Bradford, grand worthy counselor, Court of Calanthe. Center: The modern office building of the Court of Calanthe in Houston. Bottom: (from left seated) Mrs. Malissie Dillard, Eli Dillard, Mrs. F. A. Robinson, V. A. Bradford, C. R. P. Robinson, administrative assistant, FHA. Back row (standing): Carl Gallagher, administrative officer, FHA; Miss Patsy Graves, home economist, FHA, Washington, D. C. James W. Prude, county supervisor, FHA; A. E. Adams, county agent, Fort Bend county; Georgiana Thomas, county home demonstration agent, Fort Bend county; Prof. T. B. Mitchell, superintendent of schools; the Rev. S. H. Alexander, Kendleton, Tex. Lower right: Mrs. Robinson and Mrs. Bradford presenting the check to Mr. and Mrs. Eli Dillard. Rufus Byars, of Washington, and brother of Mrs. Robinson was among the spectators. (ANP photos)



## Ralph Bunche Honored at Elks' Convention



J. Finley Wilson, right, presents the Elks annual Lovejoy medal to Dr. Ralph J. Bunche during the Elks 52nd annual convention in Buffalo.

## Grand Exalted Ruler Leads Antlered Herd

1,082 Registered Delegates View  
3 Hour Fete for 850,000 Members

By JAMES L. HICKS

BUFFALO, N.Y.—Led by Grand Exalted Ruler J. Finley Wilson,

the streets of Buffalo here last Tuesday before 150,000 people who admitted that it was the greatest show of strength ever given here by any civilian organization.

The parade came as the highlight of the 52nd annual convention of the Elks, whose newly elected grand secretary reported on Wednesday that the organization now has assets of \$450,290 and a total of 850,000 members.

In addition to the 150,000 spectators who lined the parade route, the parade was also seen on television in Buffalo and surrounding areas.

It began at the Civic Stadium here, came up Main Street through the heart of town, wound its way down Broadway into the heart of the colored section and broke up on William St., near convention headquarters, where the Frontier and

Elite Lodges of Buffalo, were playing.

*Grand's Illness Delays Fete*

Riding in a red Lincoln convertible, "The Grand" who delayed the start of the parade one hour because he was ill, led the paraders to the William St. reviewing stand, where he "took the salute" from the marchers from his automobile because he was too ill to mount the reviewing stand.

Despite his illness, however, Mr. Wilson, rugged warrior that he is, sat for 3½ hours in the sun on Buffalo's hottest day of the year, watched his followers go by, and did not leave until the last marcher had strutted past him.

And strut they did—did these Elks who came from all the 48 States, the District of Columbia, Alaska and the Islands beyond the sea to have their day in the sun

as members of the strongest fraternal order in the world.

### Elk Notables in Parade

Buffalo's lodges; the Frontiers and the Elite, marchers came first behind the grand exalted ruler's contingent of cars which carried such Elk notables as tall Hobson R. Reynolds of Philadelphia, Grand Daughter Ruler Elizabeth Ross Gordon of Washington, Harvey L. Harris, New York State president of the Elks, and Mrs. Willa B. Lewis of Buffalo, New York State auxiliary president.

Buffalo gave the city to the Elks and the Elks showed that they knew what to do with it. They literally dazzled the city with bands, floats, drum majorettes and beautiful and weird uniforms.

Winter Capital Lodge of New Orleans "fell out" in the parade with a brand new Mercury completely covered with flowers, which was easily the most beautiful vehicle in the parade.

Washington's Capital Lodge entered a car on which a stuffed Elk's head had been mounted. Detroit's Motor City Lodge presented the snappiest band in the parade, but there was nothing in the way of snap they could play which could match the beauty and snap of four shapely teen-age drum majorettes who led their contingent.

Knoxville, Tenn., drew attention with a large, complete junior Elks' band, the Tennessee Valley Junior Elks.

### Honors Equally Divided

As to the bands themselves, from where this reporter sat, honors were equally divided between New York's fine Monarch band and Philadelphia's great O. V. Cattle band, which featured three majorettes each.

Georgia hit the headlines in the parade with one of the largest units to march in the parade and everyone knew at a glance that Georgia was coming because in front of the Georgia unit marched four paraders carrying a mammoth sign which read "Here Comes Georgia."

But if plain "showing off" is to be the criteria for participants in a parade—and this reporter feels that a parade is just a "show off"—then all honors in the parade must go first to Bluff City Lodge of Memphis, Tenn.

For here was a unit which had everything in the way of show. And as to clowning, there was none in the parade who could touch the marchers from Beale St. When they came before Mr. Wilson and the reviewing stand on William St., the Bluff City Lodge's band

human rights." This was followed on Monday night by the annual Elks' oratorical contest, won by 15-year-old Richard Rogers, a high school junior of Morristown, Pa. This was followed by school junior of Morristown, Pa. and the junior Elks held their event. Ethelrine Shaw of Lockland, Ohio, took second place. Both had won \$1000 scholarships previously and Rogers won the J. Finley Wilson trophy and the Lovejoy medal to \$150 as top orator. The judges in the contest were Lawrence O. DePriest and Oscar Simmons.

Then, for a brief spell the Tennesseans proceeded to put on a floor show on William St. which caused people who had chairs seated on the sidewalks to get up and leave their coveted seats to jump and dance in the merriment. It was a great demonstration of showmanship. The convention opened on Sun-



Payne of Cleveland, Nelson W. Willis of Chicago and Jesse O. Thomas of Washington. The contest was held in the beautiful Kleinhans Music Hall.

On Tuesday, the cap and gown club had its breakfast at the YMCA. This day also saw the first session of the Grand Lodge, a joint session for the public, and the big parade which was topped off by a prize fight at Civic Stadium.

#### Grand Lodge Elections

Wednesday the Grand Lodge staged its elections. The Grand Temple had its pageant and there was a championship baseball game.

Last Thursday, the Grand Lodge again was in session and Thursday night the Elks had their Grand Lodge ball at Municipal Auditorium. A session of the Grand Lodge on Friday morning closed the convention.

It was agreed among the delegates that Buffalo had given the Elks the warmest welcome they have received in fifteen years of conventions. The general chairman of the convention was Dr. D. M. Byrd of Buffalo.

**The  
WORLD  
★ TODAY**

By George S. Schuyler

A wonderful institution is the Elks' oratorical contest to be held for the twenty-fourth time this week, in Buffalo. These \$1,000 scholarships have helped hundreds of our youngsters to a college education.

They Call Him the 'Miracle Man'

# Finley Wilson's Slate Wins at Elk Convention

Judge William C. Hueston Now Grand Secretary; Judge Perry B. Jackson Elected Grand Treasurer; George W. Lee Appointed Grand Commissioner of Education

BUFFALO, N. Y.—(ANP)—Ailing J. Finley Wilson, called the "Miracle Man" the day before by Dr. Ralph J. Bunche, now is being called that by the entire Elksdom populace, after his successful campaign to get his men in office as Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary, and Commissioner of Education.

In addition to the interest centering on the election of these officers, the honoring of Dr. Bunche, the colorful parade, the Grand Lodge Ball, and the champion baseball game held the spotlight at the fifty-second annual convention of the Improved Benevolent Protective Order of Elks of the World which met here last week.

The citizens of Buffalo went all out in extending to the more than 40,000 Elks officials, delegates, and visitors a genuine welcome.

Whatever fireworks had threatened to explode within Elksdom over the coveted positions of Grand Treasurer, Grand Secretary and Grand Commissioner of Education were stopped dead by the clever maneuvering of J. Finley Wilson, Grand Exalted Ruler.

Top command posts in the world's largest Negro fraternal organization were filled by the men whom Wilson had chosen to step into the shoes of officers who died this year.

Judge William C. Hueston of Washington became Grand Secretary succeeding the late James E. Kelley of Birmingham, and Municipal Court Judge Perry B. Jackson of Cleveland was elected Grand Treasurer, succeeding the late Theodore S. Greene of Akron. George W. Lee, Memphis, was appointed Grand Commissioner of Education to succeed Judge Hueston.

A feature of the sessions, however, was the presentation of the second Lovejoy Medal to Dr. Bunche, director of the UN Trust

Shifts in the secondary command of the Elks this year found Robert Johnson of Philadelphia moved to Grand Leading Knight—second in command to J. Finley Wilson—succeeding Joseph A. Brown of New York City. Bertram V. Gregory, Detroit, is the new Grand Loyal Knight, and Dr. Bernard Harris, Baltimore, the new grand lecturing knight. Herbert Jones of Washington was appointed Grand Organizer.

Other officers elected were John Cobb, Morgantown, W. Va., Grand Tyler; Daniel R. Houchins, Northfork, W. Va., Grand Inner Guard, and Henry Davis, Los Angeles, Calif., Grand Esquire.

Dr. C. M. Cain, Atlantic City, N. J., was appointed Assistant Grand Commissioner of Education, and Bena B. Snell, Boston, named chairman of the Shrine Commission. Also on this commission are Joseph A. Brown and Harvey Harris, New York

City, and Gus Bradley of Los Angeles.

Richard Rogers, 15, from Morristown, Pa., was the winner in the twenty-sixth annual Elks' Oratorical contest. He received the J. Finley Wilson trophy and a cash award of \$150.

Second place winner was Miss Ethelrine Shaw, 18, of Leeland, Ohio. She and the five other contestants received \$100 each for their speeches on Negro history. Each of the seven finalists previously had received a \$1,000 college scholarship.

Reports of Elks officials revealed a growing organization of more than 500,000 members; property valued at about \$40,000,000 and defense bonds in the amount of \$30,000,000. The order was described as in good financial condition.

Trezzvant W. Anderson, president of the 761st Tank Battalion Association, presented an honorary membership in the organization to Wilson for his efforts in behalf of all veterans.

On the female side of the convention, the Grand Temple held its sessions here at the same time, and the Grand Daughter of Elks re-elected both of their top officers, Mrs. Elizabeth Gordon of Washington, Granddaughter Ruler, and Mrs. Beuna V. Kelley Gibbs of Norfolk, Va., Grand Secretary.

One observer, in speaking of the predominance of Republicans at this convention, remarked that it seems more like a "Republican Convention" than an Elks convention. That was due, in part, to the presence of Guy Gabrielson, chairman of the Republican National Committee, who addressed the convention. He was accompanied by Valores J. Washington, director of the Negro division of the GOP.

Wilson stressed that two major projects are on the Elks' program for the coming year: further expansion of the John Brown farm at Harper's Ferry, W. Va., as a national shrine, and a "street-block volunteer" program aimed at getting Negroes to register to vote. This campaign will be non-partisan and non-profit making, it was explained.

Plans were made for a pilgrimage and a huge celebration to be staged at John Brown farm on Sept. 22.

Atlantic City was selected as the site for the 1952 national convention.

Over thirty thousand Elks from every state in the Union and many foreign nations took over the entire downtown section of Buffalo last week for four hours, strutted, pranced, danced, and gave the greatest parade in Elk history and the most fabulous display this city has ever witnessed.

Prizes for the most impressive units were awarded to the following at the grand ball at Memorial Auditorium:

Bluff City, Memphis, Tenn., best drilled drum majorette group; Motor City, Detroit, best-dressed drum majorette group; Bon Ami Temple, Pittsburgh, best float; unit coming farthest distance, Golden West lodge, Los Angeles, Calif.; best junior band, Tennessee Valley, Knoxville; best uniformed drum and bugle corps, Pride of Newark, N. J.; largest drum and bugle corps, O. V. Catto, Philadelphia; best drum major, Shackleford of Great Lakes Lodge, Chicago, Ill.



## Elks Fight

### JC in Army

*Apr. 4-51*  
Wilson Urges GOP  
to Kill Amendment

WASHINGTON

The Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World has thrown its weight behind efforts to have the "segregation-by-choice" provision stricken from the military manpower bill.

J. Finley Wilson, grand exalted ruler on April 4, called upon Rep. Joseph W. Martin Jr., of Massachusetts, the Minority Leader, to use his influence with Republican members of the House to vote to strike out the so-called Winstead amendment.

#### Goal of Amendment

The amendment was offered by Rep. Arthur Winstead (Dem. Miss.) and written into the draft-universal military training bill.

It would give every person registering for training and service in the armed forces the right to choose to serve in racially segregated units, and his choice would be binding in his assignment for such training and service.

#### Dawson Pledges Aid

Another significant development April 4 was a statement by Rep. William L. Dawson, Democrat, of Illinois, who had just returned from participating in the Chicago mayoralty campaign, that he will do whatever he can to have the Winstead amendment wiped out.

Mr. Dawson made his statement after he had read a "Capital Spotlight" column, suggesting that he persuade House Speaker Sam Rayburn of Texas and Rep. John W. McCormack of Massachusetts, the Majority Leader, to make the deletion of the Winstead amendment a party matter.

Rep. Carl Vinson of Georgia, chairman of the House Armed Services Committee, who opposed committee approval of the Winstead amendment, will welcome the support of Mr. Dawson, it is believed in well-informed circles.



**DEMAND ACTION**—Meeting in Biloxi last week, Mississippi Elks pass resolution protesting anti-Negro violence such as that in above photo. Here, Natchez, Miss., policemen are shown at Main and Canal sts., near the heart of the business district, halting the Frederick Patterson Post American Legion Memorial Day parade after Mayor Audley B. Conner had okayed the route. This was one of the incidents that inspired the Elks to action.

#### earmarked funds asked Action At State Level Urged

By Negro Elks

BILOXI, Miss., June 12. — Mississippi Negro Elks at the close of their annual convention at Biloxi Tuesday afternoon in a resolution called upon the State Legislature to earmark the money appropriated for Negro schools at the state level.

They also asked that a county budget be established for Negro schools at the county level.

It was pointed out that at the 1950 Legislature a bill was adopted designed to equalize Mississippi schools with an appropriation of several million dollars. The money thus appropriated was contingent upon the local communities raising one-third of the revenue and many of the counties and districts have thus far failed to co-operate with the plan, resulting in its bogging down.

The Elks also commended the policy of employing Negro police and urged other cities and towns to do likewise.

Greenville, Jackson, Indianola,

and Gulfport were pointed out as among the cities which have adopted this practice.

#### Succeeds Late 'Ted' Greene

## Judge Jackson Is Treasurer for Elks

By TREZZVANT W. ANDERSON

PITTSBURGH—Close on the heels of the third death in the top command of the Elks—Grand Treasurer Thomas E. (Ted) Greene of Akron, Ohio—last week, Grand Exalted Ruler J. Finley Wilson appointed Municipal Court Judge Perry B. Jackson of Cleveland, Ohio, as Grand Treasurer. Judge Jackson has been high in Elk circles for two decades.

The late Mr. Greene, a former assistant attorney general of Ohio, was buried last Tuesday morning, with Mr. Wilson and other high Elks present. In previous months this year, two other top Elk leaders have died, James E. Kelley of Birmingham, the Grand Secretary, and Col. Roscoe Conkling Simmons of Chicago, who acted as Grand Exalted Ruler in annual conventions ever since Mr. Wilson himself was stricken.

The late Mr. Greene, an attorney and graduate of Western Reserve University, Cleveland, was born in Naugatuck, Conn., March 9, 1881, and had practiced law in Akron since 1917. His first state post was that of enrolling clerk in the Ohio Senate in 1909. In 1915 he was appointed assistant attorney general of Ohio.

When the late Judge Edward W. Henry of Philadelphia died several years ago, Attorney Greene was elevated to the post of Grand Treasurer, which Judge Henry had filled since 1932. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Madelyn Jackson Greene, of Union Springs, Ala., whom he married in 1946.

The new Grand Treasurer, a Phi Beta Kappa man, was born in Zanesville, Ohio, in 1896, and has had a long and brilliant



JUDGE PERRY B. JACKSON  
... Elks' Grand Treasurer

career in Ohio. He was editor of the Cleveland Call, 1922-'29, graduated from Western Reserve University, magna cum laude, in 1919; was assistant city prosecutor of Cleveland, 1934-'41; member Cleveland City Council, 1932-'34; was appointed Municipal Court Judge in 1942 and elected to a six-year term in 1945.

Judge Jackson, like the late Attorney Greene, is an AME. He is a member of the Masons,

Alpha Phi Alpha, Tau Sigma Delta, Sigma Pi Phi, and holds many civic positions. For fifteen years he has been assistant grand legal adviser of the IBPOEW, and served for many years as president of the Ohio State Association of Elks.

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# Mississippi Elks Protest Violence; Fred Miller, Re-Elected President

BILOXI, Miss.—The Mississippi State Elks Convention last week passed a resolution protesting police violence and brutality against Negroes in the state.

The group agreed to take steps to see that assaults, blackjackings, and other forms of violence against Negroes in Mississippi be discontinued.

The Elks were moved to action by the forceful halting, for the second consecutive year, of the annual Negro Memorial Day parade by Natchez policemen.

Natchez' Fredrick Patterson, post American Legion, and veteran from nearby Vidalia, La., were delayed by police officers in their march through the business district despite permission previously given by Natchez Mayor Audley B. Conner. The paraders proceeded to the national cemetery after a 45 minute delay.

Re-elected state president of the Elks by unanimous vote was Fred H. Miller, Mound Bayou, Miss. The elections were conducted by Dr. E. T. Belsaw, Mobile, Ala., grand district deputy of Alabama and Ernest Thomas, New Orleans, grand district deputy of Louisiana.

A resolution asking the state legislature to earmark funds for Negro schools at state and local levels was passed also.

Statistically, the convention set a new record for the year for people coming to Buffalo for any kind of gathering:

With its 30,000 participants, had a parade which was the biggest ever seen outside of New York City or Chicago.

Brought an estimated \$4,000,000 in business to the city.

Was without a single recorded instance of discrimination or segregation up to the closing days of the meet;

Brought delegates from 36 states and the District of Columbia, and fraternal visitors from Canada and Mexico.

Parade Downtown

Buffalo business, white and Negro, came to a virtual standstill Tuesday until the parade was over. Using the major downtown streets, the line of march passed by an estimated 150,000 people and so completely tied up traffic that Police Chief McCann said late Tuesday night that "We are not out of the rough yet."

McCann would not admit it, but it was generally reported that he had given his men orders not to arrest any Elk visitor unless it absolutely could not be avoided. For the convention week, the sky was the limit.

Except for the parade, an 18-hour-a-day dance at the Frontier Lodge headquarters and a grand ball for the more formal-minded, the major activities of the week of convention were in—dead earnest.

The civil liberties program of the order included appearances of Dr. Bunche, Guy Gabrielson of the Republican National committee, Lawrence Payne, a former Ohio prosecutor, and other noted persons who helped the Elks launch a drive which, if it is even moderately successful, will make

the Elks the leader in the struggle for equal opportunities.

Oratorical Contest

Gabrielson's visit was viewed by old-timers in the order as an effort to woo the organization away from the New Deal Democrats who have had the 'inside track' with Elks' national leadership since the days of F. D. Roosevelt.

The educational department presented its seven State winners of the annual oratorical competition in an evening-long contest that brought out such stirring ten-minute talks that Dr. Bunche, following the youngsters, said that "I'm not used to competition like this; these kids are good!"

The contest was won by 15-year-old Richard Rogers of Norristown, Pa. Runner-up was Ebelrine Shaw, of Lockland.

All contestants received scholarships.

mammoth parade, largest in Buffalo history. The parade was three miles long and took three and one-half hours to pass the reviewing stand.

Elected to office at the 1951 convention were Judge William C. Hueston, Washington, D. C., unanimously elected Grand secretary to succeed the late James E. Kelley; Judge Perry Jackson, Cleveland, Ohio, grand treasurer, and George W. Lee, Memphis, appointed grand commissioner of education to succeed Judge Hueston.

J. Finley Wilson, grand exalted ruler of the Elks, was elected for two years at last year's convention and his post does not go the block until next year's meeting at Atlantic City.

Set a new record for the year for people coming to Buffalo for any kind of gathering:

25,000 Elks  
Hail Bunche  
in Buffalo

BUFFALO, N. Y. — More than 25,000 Elks jammed Buffalo last week and hailed Dr. Ralph Bunche for his "outstanding contributions to human progress" as they presented the UN official the coveted Lovejoy medal.

In accepting the award during the 52nd annual grand lodge national convention of the Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World, Dr. Bunche appealed to the delegation not to be led astray by "so-called Negro leaders."

"Do not believe that time will cure the nation's anti-Negro prejudices," Bunche warned the convention. "I do not believe that time will solve the problem and I do not believe that there is time to allow gradualism to solve it."

Climax of the greatest Elks convention of all time was the



# Mrs. Walker Re-Elected Secretary

*Journal*  
West Virginia Wins  
Banner On Increase  
In Net Memberships  
Sat. 9-1-51

RICHMOND, Va. — Mrs. Hattie N. F. Walker, of Richmond, was installed again last week as right worthy grand secretary of the Right Worthy Grand Council, Independent Order of St. Luke, at its 84th annual convention held here at Sixth Mt. Zion Baptist Church. All grand officers were installed by Horace H. Scott, of Richmond, and Mrs. Bessie W. Taylor of Washington, D. C.

Other officers installed were the Rev. C. P. Foster, Thomasville, N. C., grand chief; Mrs. Lillie B. Lewis, Washington, D. C., grand vice chief; Dr. Harvey N. Johnson, Portsmouth, Va., grand prelate; Ashby E. Gray, Owens, Va., grand messenger; Mrs. Norine Hickman, Keystone, W. Va., grand sentinel, and the Rev. John P. Ball, Norwalk, Conn., grand outside sentinel, and the Rev. John P. Ball, Norwalk, Conn., grand outside sentinel.

The trustees re-elected were Mrs. Mary V. Binga, the Rev. A. W. Brown, host pastor; J. Thomas Hewin, lawyer; Horace H. Scott, Dr. William C. Calloway, all of Richmond, and Mrs. Ollie Q. Brown, Newark, N. J.

*Norfolk, Va.*  
THE THREE-DAY session marked the 84th annual and 17th biennial convention of the organization. More than 500 persons including delegates and visitors attended the meetings. The visitors included those who attended the matrons and patrons conference.

The victory banner was awarded to West Virginia for the highest net gain in membership for the past two years.

The juvenile grand officers were installed on Monday, the opening day of the convention. The ceremonies were conducted by J. S. Carrington, South Boston, Va., chief supervising deputy, and Mrs. Bessie J. Brooks, New York City, state supervising deputy.

THE OFFICERS installed were Mrs. Nannie G. Timberlake, past grand vice matron, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Mary I. Smith, grand vice matron, New Haven, Conn.; Mrs. Fannie P. Rollins, grand prelate, Baltimore, Md.; Mrs. Nettie Spencer, grand messenger, New Rochelle, N. Y.; Mrs. Ruth Hylton, grand inside sentinel, Roanoke, Va.; Mrs. Sadie B. Harrison, grand outside sentinel, Portsmouth, Va., and J. S. Savage, grand deputy patron, New York City.

The welcome addresses were delivered on Monday by Nancy A. Warren, Ardelle Circle No. 8; Mrs. Mary T. Pielt, matron, La Verne No. 762; and Oscar A. Morton, principal, George W. Carver School, all of Richmond.

Honored matrons who made the pilgrimage to the graves of Mrs. Maggie L. Walker, grand matron, and Mrs. Lillian S. Bazley, grand secretary, were Mrs. Sallie Casey of Vinton, Va., and Mrs. Anna L. Barbee, of Norwalk, Conn.

THE BIENNIAL REPORT was made by Juvenile Directress Mamie T. King Bates, Richmond, who terminated her office and will live in New Haven, Conn.

The picnic for matrons, patrons and visitors was held at Janie Porter Barrett School for Girls, Peake, Va., where Mrs. Evelyn Sword, honored matron from West Virginia, unveiled the portrait of the late Mrs. Maggie L. Walker, which was presented to the new dormitory at the school, named in her honor. Refreshments were served on the lawn.

On Monday evening, a beautiful, impressive pageant, "Sixty-Six Books of the Bible" was given at Sixth Mt. Zion Baptist Church under the direction of Miss Eugertha B. Johnson, youth supervisor, with more than 700 new additions being reported. Over \$750 was collected.

THE SPEAKERS for the welcome program for the Grand Council session Tuesday were Mayor T. Nelson Parker, for Richmond and the state; Dr. Thomas H. Henderson, Richmond citizens; Mrs. Elsie G. Lewis, Richmond St. Luke, and the Rev. A. W. Brown, Sixth Mt. Zion.

Other program features included the annual sermon by Dr. C. C. Scott, pastor of Fifth Street Baptist Church; the Tuesday afternoon report by Miss Gertrude C. Sharpe, of Portsmouth, who subsequently relinquished that office, and the biennial report by Mrs. Hattie N. F. Walker, grand secretary, covering the last two years.

The banquet was held Tuesday evening at Maggie L. Walker High School, with Mrs. Delilah Chrysler, Milwaukee, Wis., and Henderson Edwards, Norfolk, Va., presiding. Guests were the Rev. W. L. Ransome, A. F. and A. Masons; Wiley A. Hall, executive secretary, Richmond Urban League; Mrs. Bernice N. Sampson, president, Federated Women's Club; C. Bernard Gilpin, secretary, Richmond Beneficial Insurance Company; Mrs. Alma B. Wyatt, supreme secretary, National Ideal Society; the Rev. W. B. Ball, president, Ministerial Alliance; Mrs. Delilah Cheatham, YWCA; J. E. Hall Jr., assistant manager, Southern Aid Society; W. S. Banks, president, Consolidated Bank and Trust Company; Dr. J. Rupert Picott, executive secretary, Virginia Teachers' Association; H. H. Quarles, Odd Fellows; Mrs. C. L. Evans, president, Baptist Ministers' Wives Union; G. A. Pannell, North Carolina Mutual Insurance Company; Maurice Barrett, IBPOE of W; Dr. J. M. Tinsley, president, NAACP; Mrs. Margaret Wright, president, Beauticians Association; Ellsworth Storrs, YMCA; the Rev. K. L. Brazil, secretary of American Bible Society; G. W. Liverpool, principal, Maggie Walker High School; C. L. Townes, secretary, Virginia Mutual Insurance Company; and Mrs. Mary Hopson, Love and Charity.

*Norfolk, Va.*  
THE DEPUTY'S Workshop and Seminar was held Wednesday under the leadership of chief supervising deputy, J. S. Carrington. Impressive ritualistic demonstrations were made by Mrs. Sarah H. Page, West Virginia, and Harry J. White, New York City, P. R. W. G. chiefs.

Reports were made by J. Thomas Hewin, general counselor for the organization; J. S. Carrington, and Miss Eugertha B. Johnson, youth supervisor of the field department.

Mrs. Hattie N. F. Walker, acting medical director, gave the report for this department in that the medical director, Dr. William C. Calloway, is in the U. S. Army.

A movie, "The Land of the Maharajahs," was shown the delegation through the courtesy of Esso Standard Oil Company.

MEMORIAL SERVICES were held Wednesday afternoon for all deceased members of the order. The Rev. W. B. Ball, pastor of Goodwill Baptist Church, officiated. Mrs. Maggie L. Walker, St. Luke pioneer, was memorialized by Dr. J. M. Ellison, president of Virginia Union University.

The deceased official's family, Mrs. Lucinda S. Daggett and Willie R. James, was memorialized in song by Mrs. Mary L. Winston, who sang "Dear Ole Pals."



## The Pythian Dispute

(From The New York Herald Tribune)

The fight against racial bias within the fraternal order of the Knights of Pythias is purely a private dispute so far, although it does involve a fundamental American principle and it could become a public issue if anti-bias members carry out their threat to put the issue into the state legislature. The New York Grand Lodge in annual convention in Saratoga Springs last week, has been trying without success for two years to get the Supreme (National) Lodge to eliminate the color line from membership qualification. Specifically, the New York lodge wants the word "white" to be removed from membership application forms. The 80,000 New York State members have been stymied by the opposition of a majority of the 300,000 members of other lodges around the country, chiefly from lodges in the "white supremacy" states.

There is a touch of irony in this sectional split in the Pythian order. The order was founded by Justus Rathbone, of Utica, N. Y., in 1864, while the Civil War was still raging. He had become concerned over the intense sectional dissensions that were racking the country, and he conceived the idea of a fraternal organization dedicated to the three principles of friendship, charity and benevolence, as a means of overcoming these dangerous frictions. President Lincoln gave his approval to the new order, and when the war was over the Pythian movement spread into the south and all over this country and Canada.

The new strategy that is being proposed this year by influential New York Pythians who are trying to remove the color line is to seek state legislation against discrimination in fraternal organizations in this state. That would transform the private conflict into a public one. There is, of course, no question as to the justice of the New York Grand Lodge's fight in behalf of a well-founded American principle. In passing—and apart from considerations of justice—we noted a report made a few days ago by Elmo Roper, the public opinion gathers its moral, material and military strength, is engaged in doing. The propaganda battle has its importance and it is not necessary that the West should always lose all its skirmishes. But they are of minor significance beside the main effort.

## EFFORTS TO UNITE WHITE AND BLACK PYTHIANS IN NEW YORK ENDS IN DOUBTFUL COMPROMISE

*Beach Dispatch*  
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However, the compromise accepted by the New York delegation to make it illegal for fraternal orders to discriminate against Negroes. The resolution was drafted by Nicholas Atlas of New York City and 12 other Pythians.

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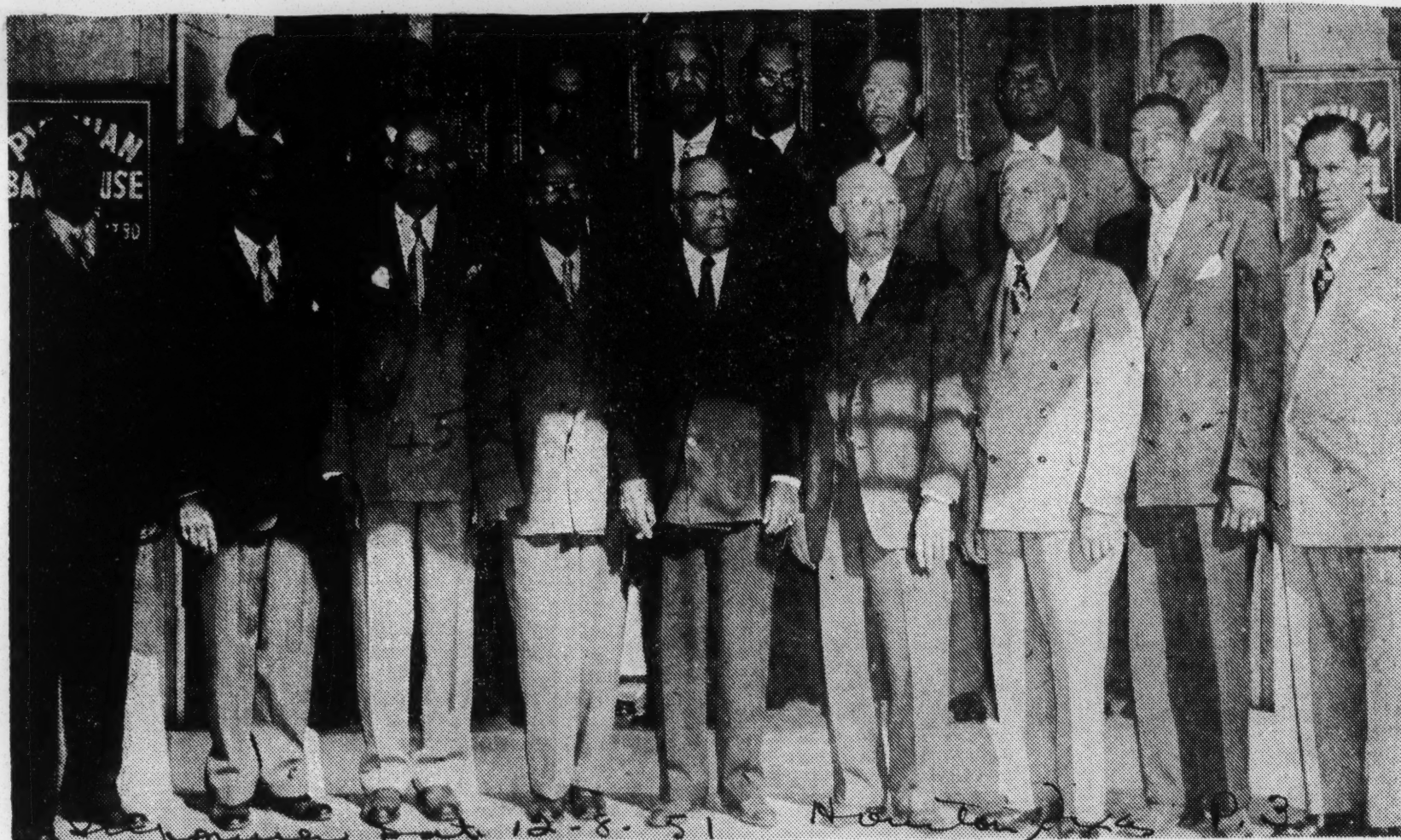


# Grand Chancellors' Council Of The Knights Of Pythias Holds First Meeting In Hot Springs

HOT SPRINGS, ARKANSAS — North America, South America, Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia held its first biennial session in Hot Springs, Arkansas, November 28th and 29th. The council's primary concentration was on the growth, conservation, and benevolences of the order. S. A. Burnley, Grand Chancellor of Kentucky; H. H. Young, Grand Chancellor of Mississippi; and A. Samuel Nixon, Grand Chancellor of Louisiana served as chairman, Secretary and Prelate of the council, respectively. The discussion leaders were: Grand Chancellors F. A. Young of Arkansas, J. Will Cooper of Michigan, Benjamin F. Cofer of Georgia, Scovel Richardson of Missouri and R. A. Hester of Texas. Other Grand Chancellors attending were: W. A. Martin of Alabama, A. Samuel Nixon of Louisiana, W. O. Taylor of Massachusetts, E. T. Ferguson of Oklahoma, William A. Lewis of Tennessee and Eugene A. West of Virginia. Guests of the council were Wiley Spence of Mississippi, Claude Ollison, Vice-Grand Chancellor of Oklahoma and William Gillespie, Vice-Grand Chancellor of Kentucky.

On the night of November 28th the visitors were entertained in the home of Dr. H. H. Phipps, manager of the Pythian Hotel, at a buffet supper. November 29th the visitors were treated to a sight-seeing tour.

Grand Chancellor S. A. Burnley of Kentucky was elected chairman of the council for the ensuing year. Grand Chancellor H. H. Young of Mississippi was elected secretary and A. Samuel Nixon of Louisiana was elected Prelate. The council will meet in Hot Springs the last Friday and Saturday of October 1952.



**ATTENDING THE GRAND CHANCELLOR'S COUNCIL OF THE KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS** first meeting in Hot Springs were: First row, left to right, Sir Eugene West, G. C., Va.; Sir William Gillespie, P. G. C., Ky.; Sir Claude Ollison, G. V. C., Okla.; Sir B. F. Cofer, G. C., Ga.; Sir R. A. Hester, S. C. and G. C., Texas; Sir F. A. Young, G. C., Ark.; Sir W. O. Taylor, G. C., Mass.; Sir Wiley

Spence, P. C., Miss.; Sir Scovel Richardson, G. C., Mo.

Second Row: Sir William A. Lewis, G. C., Tenn.; Sir J. Will Cooper, S. K. of A. and S. and G. C., Mich.; Sir E. T. Ferguson, G. C., Okla.; Sir H. H. Phipps, P. G. C., Ark.; Sir H. H. Young, G. C., Miss.; Sir W. A. Martin, G. C., Ala.; Sir A. Samuel A. Nixon, G. C., La.



# Rioting Breaks Out At Night Club Over Switch In Policy

WASHINGTON— (ANP) — For the second time within a week, rioting between Negroes and whites broke out at the new Chickland club in Capitol Heights Md., early Saturday morning.

The second disorder had its beginnings inside the club when 40 young white hoodlums undertook to make known their objections to the presence of Negroes in the establishment. They began their tactics by using profanity toward several bi-racial couples, and then extended their activities to upsetting tables, throwing glasses, breaking down the front door, tearing up two pinball machines and shooting off firecrackers in the club.

All of this was merely a continuation of state of affairs which existed when the club first opened its door a week earlier. The management had announced that the establishment would be operated on a non-segregated basis. On opening night, police had to be called in to control a noisy and resentful crowd of 400. The club

closed its doors that night for one week.

When it opened again Saturday, the management announced that the same policy of non-segregation would be in effect. Earlier in the night, police had been called in to quiet 25 youngsters who were accused of "making too much noise and buying nothing." Police, however, took no action, saying they were without authority to act on such a complaint.

Not long afterwards, a volley of fire crackers was set off, and some unknown persons pulled the master light switch, plunging the club into darkness. A general riot ensued and soon spread to the streets where a crowd had gathered.

Before police could quell the disorder, a car occupied by five Negroes and passing through to Washington from New York, was damaged by the rioters. Someone threw a brick into the windshield, which subsequently struck a woman passenger. The car, out of control, rammed into another auto and injured a passenger in the latter vehicle.

Meanwhile, pitched battles were being waged between Negroes and whites. The police, outside of es-

corting mixed couples away from the scene of the disturbance, withheld taking any other action until the rioting was at its height. Then they rigged up amplifiers and pleaded every one to go home.

When this appeal failed, volleys of tear gas were thrown and members of the fire department turned their water hoses upon the crowd. Four hours after the outbreak had begun, all was quiet.

No arrests were made, but the owner of the club was notified to appear before the county liquor board to be questioned about an alleged liquor law violation and a report that ownership of the establishment had been changed without approval of the board. The owner also will appear in Upper Marlboro police court on July 23 for trial of an alleged violation—the sale of beer to a minor.

New York City, Aug. 19-24

## 8,000 to Attend Shriners' Meet

BUFFALO, N. Y.—The Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine will hold its 1951 convention in New York City, Aug. 19-24, according to Dr. Raymond E. Jackson, Imperial Potentate. This will be the first meeting of the mystic order in the city.

The 169th Field Artillery Army will be the scene of the 1951 meeting, with many social and fraternal activities to be held at several of the uptown centers.

### EXPECT 8,000

The more than 8,000 delegates and visitors from 142 Temples in as many cities across the nation conferring at this meeting will hear how the Shriners' Tuberculosis and Cancer Research Foundation, Inc., has progressed. Last year \$15,000 was granted to the American Cancer Society for research and in October \$20,000 was granted to Freedmen's Hospital, Washington, D. C. for tuberculosis research.

The Shriners will open the 1951 convention with annual memorial services on Sunday evening, Aug. 19. Dr. Charles E. Stewart, Buffalo, N. Y., will deliver the address.

Among those to be heard during the public services is Ben F. Carruthers, Social Affairs Officer, Human Rights Division, United Nations.

### BEAUTY CONTEST

The fifth annual talent and beauty pageant is scheduled for Aug. 22. Twenty young ladies have entered. The first fifteen winners are awarded \$4,000 in educational scholarships. The first place winner receives \$1,500 of this fund.

The Shriners' Imperial Council, which was organized in 1893 and chartered in 1901, represents more than twenty thousand men. Other officers are: Zack Alexander, Charlotte, N. C.; Joseph Givens, Pittsburgh; Joseph L. Oliver, Los Angeles; Dr. Charles E. Stewart, Buffalo; Dr. G. Bernard Key, St. Louis; Charles D. Freeman, Washington, D. C.; Charles C. Quander, Bronx, N. Y.; Henry W. Woolf,

in Jackson at a cost of more than \$300,000.

Memorial services were held Dec. 2 at St. Paul Methodist church. Dr. H. H. Humes, editor and president of the General Baptist State Convention, delivered the memorial message.

## 3,000 At Mississippi Mason Meet

MEREDIAN, Miss. —More than 3,000 delegates attended the 76th annual session of the M. W. Stringer Grand lodge, Prince Hall Masons, held here Dec. 2-5. The group represented the more than 600 lodges and 28,000 Prince Hall Masons of Mississippi.

The largest crowd ever to congregate at Harris high school filled its auditorium Dec. 4 to hear an address by Rev. Marshall Shepherd, former Recorder of Deeds for the District of Columbia.

James C. Gilliam, grand master, and all other officers were re-elected to their posts.

Nine winners in the annual oratorical contest, representing the 16 districts of the grand lodge, divided \$6,000 in prizes. This year the winners were offered an additional \$400 scholarship by Mississippi institutions.

Others who spoke during the four-day meet were Grand Master Gilliam and Lemuel Foster, department store executive.

Widows of members of the organization who died during the year divided \$63,558.

Delegates had an opportunity to see the architects drawing of the new temple to be constructed



# Negro Shriners to Open Jubilee Here Tomorrow

The Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, prospering affiliate of Negro Masonry in the United States, will convene here tomorrow through Friday.

Charles C. Quander, Imperial Recorder and a member of Medina Temple, Manhattan, announced today that 18,000 of the order's 30,000 members are expected for the sessions, which will celebrate the golden jubilee of the Imperial Council.

"But it will really be a convention of 50,000," Mr. Quander said. "When you count wives and other relatives and attending members of the Daughters of Isis, our women's auxiliary."

Mayor Will Speak.

Meetings of the order, which started in 1893 but had no Imperial Council until 1901, will be held in the 369th Armory, Fifth Ave. and 143rd St.

On Monday at 2 p.m., Mayor Vincent Impellitteri will speak in the armory after a 10:30 reception at City Hall for regional winners of the organization's nation-wide talent-beauty contest. A special guest of honor will be M. Rahman, vice-counsel for Pakistan, first official representative of an Eastern state ever to attend a convention of the Ancient Egyptian Arabic order.

Delegates will register in Masonic Hall, 454 W. 155th St., headquarters for the host temple, Medina, and for the Prince Hall Grand Lodge, F. and A. M. New York State. Medina's convention chairman is W. M. Grand Master Louis H. Fair Jr.

For the public the three big convention events will be the torchlight parade Monday, at 7:30 p.m., the daylight parade Wednesday at 2 p. m. and the pageant contest finals in the armory Wednesday at 8:30 p.m.

## Parade Route.

The torchlight parade, with initiates marching cheerfully in the chains they wear until inducted, will go from Masonic Hall south on St. Nicholas Ave. to 135th St., east to 7th Ave., north to 116th St., east to Lenox Ave., and north to the armory. The day parade, with drill teams, oriental bands, arab patrols and chanters will reverse this route.

The talent-beauty pageant, in its fifth year, will pick 15 winners from 50 candidates to receive educational awards.

Top prize will be a \$1500 scholarship which last year's winner used to pay for a liberal arts course at Morgan State College, Baltimore. Second prize will be a \$1000 scholarship which paid the tuition of last year's winner at the Academy of Dramatic Art, Carnegie Hall. Third prize will be a \$500 scholarship which last year's winner used to further her musical education at Virginia State College.

Profits from the regional and national pageants go into the order's Tuberculosis and Cancer Research Foundation fund.

## Cancer Research.

"We hope to make \$40,000 this year," Mr. Quander said, "and if we do, the fund will have received a grand total of more than \$100,000."

Of this sum, Mr. Quander said, \$20,000 has been given to the tuberculosis research and teaching clinic at Freedman's Hospital Howard University, Washington, and \$15,000 to the American Cancer Society. An additional award this year sent Dr. John E. Moseley, 222 W. 138th St., to England and France for cancer research.

"Our Tuberculosis and Cancer Research Foundation," said Mr. Quander, "is the first and only all-Negro charitable foundation in the world. Every noble and daughter in the order contribute yearly \$3 to its support."

The Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine was founded in 1893 by John G. Jones, a Chicago lawyer.

## Seek 50,000 Members.

"A petition was filed then," Mr. Quander explained, "with the Grand Council of Arabia in Mecca. Mr. Jones offered to go to Mecca for the initiation, but the Meccan Grand Council wrote that its deputy, Illustrious Noble Rofelt Pasha, was coming to the Chicago World Fair. He did and he conferred the order on Mr. Jones and that's how we started."

Mr. Jones served as Imperial Potentate until 1901, when the first Imperial Council was elected. The Ancient Egyptian Arabic order had some ups and downs through the following years, but in 1939 Dr. Raymond E. Jackson of Buffalo became Imperial Potentate. He still holds the office. Under his shrewd rule the order has grown to 30,000 and Mr. Jackson has his sights set for 50,000. "He'll be elected again this year," said Mr. Quander, "and he'll make us 50,000 too. You just watch."

# Southern Masonic Cites Patterson, Marshall

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BIRMINGHAM, Ala.—

Fear of communism and super-salesmanship (on radio and in newspapers) is causing the people of America to lose "the battle for human freedom," declared Dr. F. D. Patterson, president of Tuskegee Institute, in a speech Monday night where he accepted the gold medal achievement award at the banquet of the United Supreme Council of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry (Prince Hall Affiliation) Southern Jurisdiction, USA, held at Bob's Savoy Cafe.

He was presented the citation by Dr. Charles H. Wesley, president of Central State College, Xenia, Ohio, on behalf of the council for his outstanding record as "scientist, humanist and public administrator" and particularly for his leadership in the United Negro College Fund. Dr. Wesley's medal presentation oration praised the noted Dr. Patterson for "his outstanding service to humanity."

## MARSHALL HONORED

Thurgood Marshall, special counsel for the NAACP, of New York City, one of those given the honorary thirty-third degree, said that the NAACP would help make "race relations and civil rights in the South the pattern for the rest of the nation."

Atty. Arthur D. Shores, local lawyer; Atty. George W. Crawford of New Haven, Conn., and others were called on to speak by Toastmaster E. T. Belsaw of Mobile.

Earlier in the day, Willard W. Allen of Baltimore, Md., grand commander of the Southern Jurisdiction, in his annual message, made a strong plea for the order to continue its work for the development of the group, and outlined a specific program to achieve the objectives.

## CITES CONTRIBUTIONS

Mr. Allen said that an appeal had been made for \$20,000 to aid the YMCA work in Liberia and that eighteen grand lodges had responded with the sum aggregating \$3,025. He urged that other contributions be forthcoming. He praised the Supreme Council for its support of the United Negro College Fund.

He praised Dr. J. M. Ellison of Richmond, Va., president of Virginia Union University, who spearheaded the campaign in Maryland several years ago. His speech pledged loyalty to the Defense Bond program.

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**Top Masons' Meet—**Top-ranking Thirty-third Degree Masons were in Birmingham, Ala., last week for the conference of the Southern Jurisdiction of Scottish Rite Masons, Prince Hall Affiliation. Top left: Some of the dignitaries at the banquet. Top center: Outstanding figures, included, left to right: Thur-

good S. Marshall, NAACP special counsel; Atty. Amos T. Hall of Oklahoma City; Atty. Arthur D. Shores, Birmingham, and Nashville City Councilman Atty. Z. Alexander Looby. All were honored. Top right: Dr. E. T. Belsaw, Mobile, Ala., who presided at the banquet. Bottom left: Lemuel L. Foster of





the U. S. Treasury Department, who spoke on Defense Bond buying. Next: Dr. Charles H. Wesley, president of Central State College, Xenia, Ohio, who spoke. Next: Thurgood S. Marshall, who was cited. At his right is Atty Charles V. Handley, Alabama Grand Master, Dr. Belsaw and Dr. Wesley. Bottom, fourth from left: Sovereign Grand Master Willard W. Allen of Baltimore, pins the gold achievement medal on Tuskegee president, Dr. F. D. Patterson. Bottom right: Sovereign Grand Master George W. Crawford of New Haven, Conn., one of the order's top men.



## 105th Anniversary Of Colored Masons

The 105th anniversary of Felix Colored Masonic Lodge will be observed with divine services today at 8 p.m. at Zion Baptist Church, 337 F street S.W. The Rev. A. Joseph Edwards, pastor, and member of the lodge, will be the principal speaker. Master C. F. Brooks will preside.

Richard S. S. Bright, attache of the Liberian Legation; Dr. Marshall Sheppard, recorder of the District of Columbia; the Rev. Stephen Gill Spottswood, pastor of John Wesley A. M. E. Zion Church, and the Rev. Melvin J. Key, traveler and lecturer, will be the speakers at the annual banquet of the Square Club of Eureka Lodge tomorrow at Dunbar Hotel.

## LA. NEGRO MASONS HOLD STATE MEET

Lake Charles Conference  
Re-elects John G. Lewis

(Special to The Times-Picayune)  
Lake Charles, La., June 19.—Resources of the Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge, Jurisdiction of Louisiana, according to the grand master's report made at the grand lodge in session here, are increasing.

The grand master stated that the order during the year had given scholarships to 20 boys and girls in four colleges of Louisiana and one business school.

Following his annual message Grand Master John G. Lewis was unanimously re-elected. He reported state membership in excess of ten thousand and rapidly increasing.

Grand Master Ashby Carer of Illinois stated that not only in Louisiana was progress being made but that the order was showing a remarkable progress in all of the 39 jurisdictions within the United States.

Lemuel Foster, director, international section, U.S. Savings Bond Division, U.S. Treasury Department, advised members to use the pay roll plan for the purchase of U.S. Bonds. He told them they were the safest in-

vestment in these critical times. Charles Bynum, National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis, advised them to assist in making possible the fight against this disease and to assume a responsibility for the support of all worthy charities.

The grand lodge continues through Wednesday and Thursday with memorial services at the Reeves Temple CME Church Wednesday night.

## Gay Negro Shriners Parade in Harlem 10,000 Marchers Cheered by Estimated 250,000

Ten thousand Negro Shriners celebrated their fiftieth annual convention yesterday by marching in a gay parade through Harlem. A crowd which police estimated at 250,000 cheered the brightly appareled marchers, showered them with ticker tape and torn telephone books and generally accorded them the hospitality of Harlem.

The parade started at 2:30 p.m. at 142d Street, moved down Lenox Ave., then wound around until it reached the dispersal point at 155th St., and St. Nicholas Ave. Charles A. Seals, the seventy-nine-year-old imperial marshal of the parade, rode in the sidecar of a police motorcycle.

The various units tried to outdo each other in spectacular costumes. The Medina Temple paraders from New York City wore yellow shirts, green pants, red sashes and red socks. The Oriental Band of Akbar Temple, of Springfield, Ohio, had shiny silver shirts and yellow pants. The parade took thirty minutes to pass a given point. Leading the main body was Dr. Raymond E. Jackson, of Hadji Temple, Buffalo, who has been re-elected to his twelfth consecutive term as imperial potentate of the organization.

Arabia Temple Sponsoring committee for the popularity contest included Dts. Rosetta Hall, Dorothy Nixon, Ellen Daughtery, Della Davis, Margaret Brothers, Edna Daughty, Rosa Balckwell, Sarah Ringwood, Lucille Jackson, Cecilia Cannaday, Virginia Davis and Dorothy Manning.

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Masons

# Norfolk Youth Gets Masonic Scholarship

By (Miss) VIVIAN HUCLES

NORFOLK, Va.—Harold E. Braxton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Aaron L. Braxton of 740 Hughart St., Tustown, an honor pupil at Booker T. Washington High School last June, has received a 4-year Masonic Scholarship. Mr. Braxton is a licensed minister and will major in religion at Virginia Union University this fall.

Miss Vera Cotten, a native of Enfield, N.C., who came to Norfolk as head librarian at the Blyden Branch Library in July, 1950, to fill position left vacant by Mrs. Jessie Moon, who retired. Miss Cotten resigned the position recently to accept the post of serials librarian at Howard University, Washington. Her resignation was effective Sept. 15. Miss Cotten also performed in the Players Guild presentations.

The fourth annual Fish Bowl game between Maryland State College and Central State College will be played at Foreman Field here on Saturday, Sept. 29, at 8 p.m. The Fish Bowl Popularity contest, sponsored by Arabia Temple No. 12 of the Daughters of Isis, has awarded Miss Hannah Howell, daughter of Mrs. Mary D. Howell, 1024 Tunstall Ave., the honor of being Miss Fish Bowl. She brought in the largest amount, \$565.10, with Mrs. Joseph Brooks a close follow-up, with \$520.18. Amount raised in the contest was \$1883.19. Dt. Rosetta Hall was chairman of the contest committee, and Dt. Dorothy Dixon, secretary.

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After taking a nine-week course at New York University, Henry B. Hucles of the faculty of Virginia Union University spent the week end with his mother and sisters at 1519 Calvert St. He was accompanied by his wife and mother-in-law, Mrs. Hucles and Mrs. Carrie Lewis of Richmond. They were the house guests of their son and grandson, the Rev. H. B. Hucles 3rd and family of Brooklyn while attending school.

While in Norfolk they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Spiller on a fishing trip on Saturday and the dinner guests on Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Otis Watts of Portsmouth.

### Handicapped Week to be Noted

The National Employ the Physically Handicapped Week will be observed in Norfolk beginning Oct. 7. Highlight of the week will be an employers' seminar which will be held in the auditorium of the Routhon Pontiac Corp., 1401 Monticello Ave. at 10 a.m. on Oct. 10.

A committee of eight men was appointed recently to investigate a potential site for a USO for colored service men. The committee chairman is Alan J. Hofheimer; and working with him are Claude Blackman, executive secretary of the Smith St. USO, and Thomas W. Young, chairman of the committee of management of the Hunton branch YMCA.

Should a desirable site be found, the Smith St. building will be turned over entirely to civilians. The present site used by the USO and YMCA jointly is also used by civilians for most of their large club and civic and educational meetings. Special nights are for service men's dances and other affairs.

The Navy YMCA has made it possible to retain the present building which serves the entire community.

### New B and L Building

The new Building and Loan Association building held its formal opening on Thursday, Sept. 20. The office building is at 601 Liberty St., Berkley, Norfolk. This association, first known as the Berkley Citizens Mutual Building and Loan Association, was organized in 1913 by

a group of Berkley citizens.

R. C. Davis, one of the founders, is president; and Mrs. Eva D. Tate, secretary, and has managed the financial affairs for the past 20 years.

Registration for evening classes which began Monday Sept. 17 and ended Thursday Sept. 20, are no longer free, but a registration fee will be charged late applicants.

College credit courses available in the classes at the Norfolk Division Virginia State College are arts and crafts; shorthand, bookkeeping, typing, commercial law, American history, psychology, general mathematics, freshman English, child psychology, arithmetic and American literature.

Classes in the vocational trade department meet on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday. Classes in drafting, cabinet making, Electricity, sheet metal and masonry, auto mechanics, and television will be offered.

Special courses below the college level will be offered in restaurant management, blueprinting, radio and television, commercial foods, parliamentary procedure, clothing construction, automobile mechanics. These classes do not require a high school education for admission. They will be opened Monday and Wednesday from 7 to 9 p.m. each week.

### Mr. Christopher Honored

James Gill of Asbury Park spent his vacation with his niece, Miss Lillian Brock, at 1523 Calvert Street. He left after a week's stay.

At a meeting of the National Association of Secretaries of the YMCA in Richmond, Sept. 7 and 8, Horace G. Christopher, executive secretary of the Hunton Branch YMCA in Norfolk, was elected vice president of the State Association of Y Secretaries.

Mrs. Edith Sampson, alternate delegate to the United Nations, will be the guest speaker for the Metropolitan Council of the National Council of Colored Women on Sunday, Oct. 21. Mrs. Nona B. Diggs is publicity chairman. Mrs. Vivian C. Mason is president of the council.

Mr. and Mrs. Noah Ryder of Norfolk Division Virginia State College were presented in a piano organ and vocal recital Sunday night at the First United Presbyterian Church, of which the Rev. Otis J. Winn is pastor.

The recital was under the auspices of the male and mixed choruses of the church. J. D. Murray is director of the male chorus; and Miss Blanche C. Smith is director of the mixed chorus. The offering will be used for the fire prevention drive.

Hospital has been granted leave Joseph Brown of Marshal Ave. to take special work in business administration at Hampton Institute.

### Mrs. Diamond Back

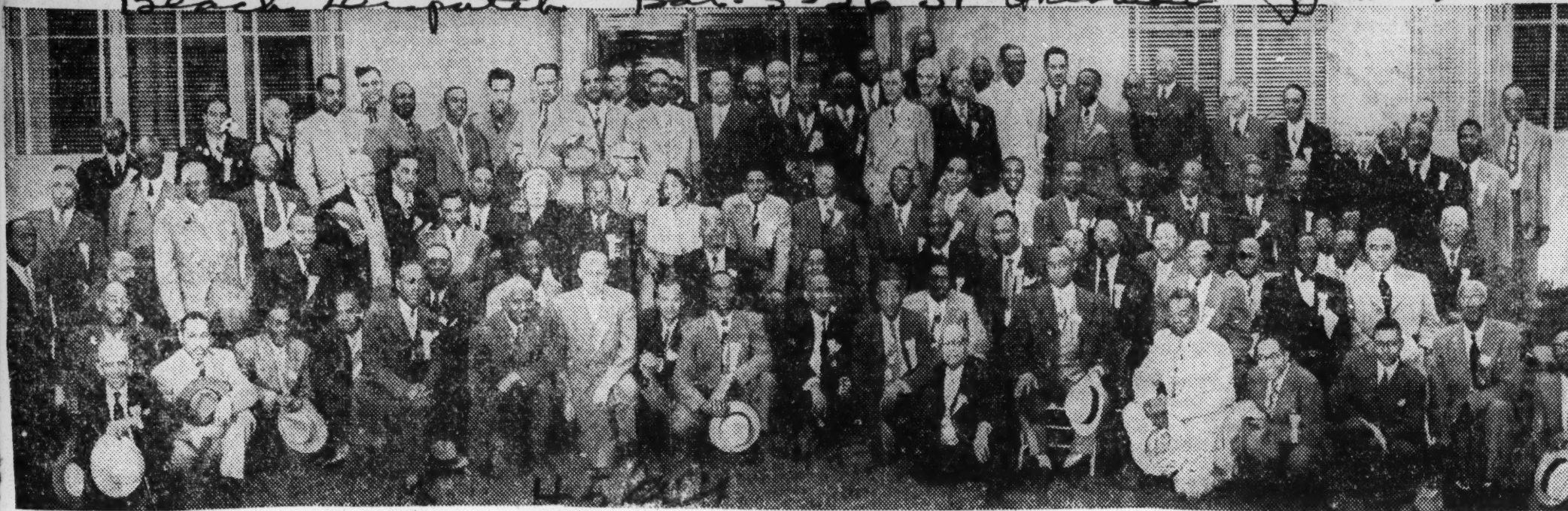
Mrs. J. C. Diamond wife of Rev. J. C. Diamond of Berkley has returned home after visiting her father-in-law, Mr. Diamond, in Boston. Mrs. Diamond is chairman of the committee of man-

agement of the Phyllis Wheatley Taylor, uncle of Dr. Trigg, and Dr. Skinner have as house guests Dr. Paul Skinner was left out from the list of new teachers appointed in the YWCA in Norfolk. Leaving for Virginia State College to resume their studies last week were Miss Yancey Sykes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John staff of the Norfolk Community

Through an oversight the name of Miss Audrey Skinner was left out from the list of new teachers appointed in the Norfolk City School system. Miss Skinner will teach at the S. C. Armstrong School.



# PRINCE HALL MASONS ESTABLISH \$20,000 RESEARCH DEPT. FOR NAACP. *Black Dispatch Sat. 5-26-51 Philadelphia*



In the picture above can be seen the conference of Grand Masters of Prince Hall Masons as they assembled for a picture shortly following an address in Denver delivered by Attorney Thurgood Marshall. At the suggestion of Amos T. Hall, grand master of Oklahoma Ma-

## PRINCE HALL MASONS TO PROVIDE \$20,000 ANNUALLY TO N. A. A. C. P. *Black Dispatch*

**Amos Hall Reelected at Denver Meeting In Unprecedented Retention in High Office**

## THURGOOD MARSHALL ADDRESSES SESSION *Sat. 5-26-51*

**DENVER, Colo.** — A research department, estimated to cost \$20,000 a year, will be provided for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People by Prince Hall Masons through the Conference of Grand Masters of Prince Hall Masons of America.

The decision was announced here at the close of a three-day conference of Grand Masters representing thirty-nine states in which Prince Hall Grand lodges operate. Principal speaker at the meeting was Thurgood Marshall, special counsel for the N. A. A. C. P. *Philadelphia*

Amos T. Hall, Grand Master of Oklahoma who was reelected as president of the conference of Grand Masters, announced the action of the Grand Masters in the following statement:

"Continued progress by the Negro race is being blocked by a false sense of security. There are too many Negroes who seem to feel that we have won enough civ-

ilities over discrimination and segregation and that it is time to take a rest. This state of mind will lead to disaster, because it will give our enemies a chance to regroup.

"The conference of Grand Masters of Prince Hall Masons of America has decided to provide \$20,000 a year to finance a research department for the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. It is

only a fraction of what the association needs for its work, but we hope that it will give impetus to the fight which must go on re-

sons, who is president of the Grand Masters Council, the Masons of America voted to annually donate to the NAACP \$20,000 to be used by the Association to finance a research department so badly needed by this militant civil rights organization. relentlessly until all racial goals have been fully secured."

Other speakers at the conference were Charles Bynum, director of interracial activities of the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis; Lemuel Foster, Negro consultant with the Savings Bond Division of the U. S. Treasury Department, and W. H. Mitchell, Negro field worker for the International Committee of the Young Men's Christian Association.

The conference agreed that the Grand Masters would organize special divisions in their respective states in support of the March of Dimes campaign. They also endorsed continued purchases of U. S. Savings Bonds.

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Mr. Mitchell spoke on the need of a YMCA in the West Africa Republic of Liberia, which he recently visited. Three thousand dollars was pledged in support of the project, and a committee was appointed to study the possibility of providing scholarships in American colleges for worthy African students.

Attendance at the conference was the largest in the history of the organization. Mayor Quigg Newton of Denver, welcomed the visiting Grand Masters at a dinner in the Albany hotel. The conference will meet in Newark, New Jersey, in May, 1952.

The following are other officers

elected by the conference to serve with President Hall: Dr. Wm. B. Washington, Grand Master of Massachusetts, first vice president; Dr. George B. Key, past Grand Master of Missouri, second vice president; Louis Fair, Jr., Grand Master of New York, treasurer; William McKinley Newby, grand secretary of Pennsylvania, secretary.



# Shriners Award \$20,000 Grant For T-B Fight

More Than 10,000 Members Lend Color to Fiftieth Annual Meet In New York; First in 36 Years

NEW YORK—Action, noise, color and intrigue, in the best tradition of the Shrine, marked the fiftieth annual session of the Imperial Council, Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, meeting in New York for the first time in thirty-six years. A new educational department, Imperial Potentate Raymond E. Jackson of Buffalo, was swept back into office in a surprise election on Monday. By Tuesday, the action came on the heels of the re-election of Potentate Jackson, deploring un-Americanism in all its forms. The action began his twelfth year in office.

Peak attendance during the six-day convention was Wednesday when 10,000 Shriners swarmed down on New York to participate in or witness the annual parade, a magnificent spectacle. The Shriners also resolved Average attendance during the week was 8,000.

## "MISS SHRINE" NAMED

Wednesday evening, seventeen of the nation's most beautiful and talented young women paraded before an impressive board of judges to compete for the "Miss Shriner" title and crown. Each girl represented a Temple and had been winner in a local contest.

"Miss Shriner" was Gypsy Dawn Menor of New York, representing Medina Temple, who was crowned and awarded a \$1,500 educational scholarship. This was the fifth annual talent and beauty pageant and the first time a New York girl won top honors.

Judges for the contest were: Mrs. Ethel Hausman, Henry Le Tang, Norman Kimble, Cy House, Miss Essie Brown, Herman Farel and Mrs. Carmen Murphy.

Final official action of the convention, Friday evening, was the passage of a resolution to estab-

lish an educational department, designed to "teach, foster and develop pride in the ideals of Americanism." The action came on the heels of a forceful statement by Dr. Jackson, deploring un-Americanism in all its forms. The action calls for adhering firmly and closely to the maintenance of the democratic form of government as the one which, above all others, will most nearly assure the achievement of all individual and national aspirations. The Shriners also resolved to lend support to the National Urban League in its efforts to eliminate undemocratic hiring policies in the atomic energy projects, by directing a letter to President Truman, pointing out the "continued existence of discrimination in hiring." Calling for the application of the Executive Order forbidding discrimination in Government employment, the Shriners reminded the President of his "moral and spiritual duty to give leadership in the practices of justice and equality in employment for all peoples."

## \$20,000 FOR HEALTH

Besides concerning themselves with social and economic problems, the Shriners extended their efforts in medical research. They announced a grant of \$20,000 would be made to Homer G. Phillips Hospital, St. Louis, Mo., for tuberculosis research.

Carrying as full a schedule as the Nobles were the Daughters of Isis whose headquarters were in the Hotel McAlbin. Thirty-

fourth Street and Broadway. Headquarters of the Imperial Council were in the Hotel Theresa. Most sessions were held in the 369th AAA Armory.

Of special interest was the welcome by Mayor Vincent Impelleri at City Hall, the Oriental tea and art exhibit by the Daughters of Isis, moonlight boat ride and the parade, one of the finest ever seen in New York.

## OFFICERS RENAMED

Re-elected to office were the following: Dr. Jackson, Potentate; Zack Alexander, Deputy Imperial Potentate, Charlotte, N. C.; Joseph W. Givens, Imperial Chief Rabbah, Pittsburgh; Joseph L. Oliver, Imperial Assistant Rabbah, Los Angeles; Claude E. Watkins, Imperial Treasurer, Marion, Ind.; William O. Greene, Second Ceremonial Master, Detroit; Edward C. Heath, Captain of the Guard, New York; James A. Jackson, Imperial Publicist, New York; Paul E. X. Brown, editor, Deputy Imperial Publicist, Atlanta; Ralph H. Jones, Deputy Imperial Publicist, Philadelphia;

Bishop Howard Z. Plummer, Imperial Lecturer, Portsmouth, Va.; Robert Williams, Imperial Budget Director, Birmingham; Genoa Washington, Imperial Director of Public Relations, Chicago; Charles F. Rodgers, Imperial Chairman of Transportation, East Chicago, Ind.; Dr. M. T. Walker, Imperial Medical Director, Washington, D. C.;

J. E. Dickson, Imperial Deputy of the Desert, Columbia, S. C.; Robert P. Stewart, Imperial Deputy of the Desert, Jacksonville; William Howe, Imperial Outer Guard, Philadelphia; Dr. Charles E. Stewart, Imperial High Priest and Prophet, New York; Dr. G. Bernard Key, Imperial Oriental Guide, St. Louis; Charles C. Quander, Imperial Recorder, New York; Henry W. Woolf, Imperial First Ceremonial Master, Tunica, Miss.;

Levi H. Morris, Imperial Legal Adviser, Chicago; Samuel M. Huffman, Imperial Assistant Legal Adviser, Columbus, Ohio; Cornelius R. Richardson, Imperial Assistant Legal Adviser, Richmond, Ind.; Charles H. Seals, Imperial Marshal, Chicago; Benjamin H. Lee, Imperial Adviser, Daughters of Isis, Philadelphia;

William C. Elkins, Imperial Chanter of the Koran, New York; Booker T. Alexander, Imperial Promotional Director, Detroit; James T. Diggs, Imperial Chief of Exalted Pass, Winston-Salem; George W. Hyder, Imperial Director of Music, Philadelphia; William E. Johnson, Imperial Commander of Patrols, Philadelphia; Charles W. Harris, Imperial Deputy of the Desert, Malden, Mass.; and John G. Lewis Jr., Imperial Adviser, Baton Rouge, La.

## Mayor Defends Choice of Rowe For Police Post

## Negro Shrine Convention Hears Newsman Called 'Exactly Right' for Job

Mayor Vincent P. Impelleri, who has been under attack by Harlem civic and political leaders for his appointment of William Leon Rowe as Seventh Deputy Police Commissioner, described Mr. Rowe yesterday as "exactly the right man to do the job for his commu-

nity, his city and his people."

Speaking at the opening of the 50th annual convention of the all-Negro Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, the Mayor drew applause as he hit back at critics who have questioned the qualifications of Mr. Rowe, one-time porter for the Ziegfeld Theater and now theatrical editor of "The Pittsburgh Courier," a leading Negro newspaper.

"On Thursday, I shall appoint a Negro as Deputy Police Commissioner for the first time in the history of New York," the Mayor said, "and it will be the first time that a man of your race has received recognition which is long overdue." He spoke at the Shriner's headquarters for the five-day convention, at the 369th Regiment Armory, Fifth Ave. and 142d St.

The Mayor, who up to that point had been speaking in ordinary tones, raised his voice as he emphatically defended his choice of Mr. Rowe, who will be sworn in Thursday in the \$8,500-a-year post. The Mayor was interrupted twice by applause.

Appointment of Mr. Rowe, who lives at 555 Edgecombe Ave., was questioned Saturday by William R. Hudgins, president of the Association of Trade and Commerce in Harlem, and other leaders who preferred not to give their names. Mr. Hudgins said Mr. Rowe's background did not suit him for the job, and indicated that "resentment" over the appointment is felt by many in Harlem.

Mayor Impelleri welcomed 400 of the Nobles, whose order was founded in 1893, in Chicago. Six thousand delegates had registered by the time the Mayor spoke at 4 p. m., and at least 2,000 more were expected before tomorrow.

The Nobles, who last met here in 1915, list a membership of 20,000 in 140 temples in thirty-eight states. Although they wear similar red fezzes, they are independent of the Ancient Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, which met here last month.

Dr. William E. Jackson, of Buffalo, N. Y., re-elected in a closed session as Imperial Potentate, officially opened the convention by giving a Chinese gong. In the audience were many of the Daughters of Isis, a ladies' auxiliary, whose white dresses and white fezzes contrasted with the more colorful attire of the male Nobles.

The rank-and-file Nobles were dressed in black cutaway coats and red fezzes with black tassels hang-

ing down the back. Officials were dressed in a variety of costumes—green, yellow, black, purple—and Dr. Jackson, who comes from Buffalo, N. Y. wore golden robes and turbans topped by a purple feather.

High point of the convention will be a parade at 3 p. m. Wednesday from the armory to the Medina Temple 155th St. and St. Nicholas Ave., followed by the judging of a beauty and talent contest at 8:30 p. m. at Rockland Palace, 8th Ave. and 155th St. Mayor Impelleri greeted eighteen of the contestants yesterday in a noon ceremony at City Hall.

About 1,000 members participated last night in the annual "Twilight Parade," traditional prelude to the induction of new members at the annual convention. The parade began at 155th St. and St. Nicholas Ave., moved south on St. Nicholas Ave. to 145th St., east to Seventh Ave., south to 124th St., east to Lenox Ave., and then north to 142d St. and Lenox Ave.

There, in the Golden Gate Ballroom, the induction ceremonies were held.



## The Mayor Greets Negro Shriners' Miss New York



Mayor Impellitteri congratulating Gypsy Dawn Menor, eighteen, of the Bronx, named Miss New York in contest held by Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order, Nobles of the Mystic Shrine. Looking on yesterday on the steps of City Hall was a Shriner delegation

## York Rite Masons Ruled Legitimate

HARRISBURG, Pa.—Charges that the York Rite Masons were "clandestine and spurious" filed by Prince Hall Masons in a jurisdictional suit filed in Dauphin County Court in February, 1950, were tossed out by Judge William H. Neely here Monday in a court decision and costs of the case were placed upon the plaintiffs, the Prince Hall Masons.

Judge Neely found that both groups were legitimate organizations, and that York Rite Masons, on the contrary, have conducted their activities openly since 1825.

The contest between the three-letter Prince Hall Masons and the five-letter York Rite Masons started in the summer of 1948 when the York Masons were assembled in their state meeting in Harrisburg and planned a parade in conjunction with the sessions.

Justin Carter of the three-letter side took exception to this and called Hobson Reynolds, their Grand Master, in Philadelphia. Grand Master Reynolds got in touch with Grand Atty. Wilbur C. Douglass who brought an injunction and stopped the maneuvers.

Wanting an answer to the question as to "who is and who ain't," the York Masons went into court, filed an answer, and asked to have the matter settled.

At the time the suit was originally filed, Grand Master Dudley of the York Masons said that he had in his possession the "original papers of 1847." These papers, according to him, were given the founding fathers in Boston, Mass., when the five lodges then in existence, met and formed a National Grand Lodge. The other lodges, according to Grand Master Dudley, surrendered their original warrants, and were issued new ones.

Grand Master Dudley said at that time that Masons should not go to civil courts to settle any differences.

According to Harry E. Davis, who wrote the book, "A History of Free Masonry in America." "The first organized body of colored Masons in America was African Lodge 1—not 459, as is generally supposed. On March 6, 1775, Prince Hall and fourteen other free colored men were initiated into Masonry in Boston, Mass., by an Army lodge of British regiment stationed in that city."

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# Odd Fellows Give 10 \$950 in Scholarships

RICHMOND

prizes for competitive drill were awarded by the First Brigade at Odd Fellow's Hall.

Closing their 23d biennial session here Aug. 30 with an Education Night program, the District Grand Lodge and Household, Grand United Order of Odd Fellows and Household of Ruth, awarded \$950 in scholarships to 10 needy and deserving high school pupils who will enter college this fall.

Principal address at the final session was given by Oscar A. Morton, principal of Carver High School here. After re-electing of all officers of both grand bodies during business sessions, Charlottesville was selected as the site for the next biennial meeting in August, 1953.

The joint sessions of the two State bodies began with a public meeting Aug. 28, featuring words of welcome from representatives of local groups, including business, professional, religious and fraternal organizations and the City of Richmond.

Louis R. Booker, chairman of the convention planning committee, presided. Others participating included:

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Mrs. Elizah Midder, Mrs. Ethel Horne, H. S. Hundley, Mayor T. Nelson Parker, Eugene West, Herbert H. Southall, George O. Charity, Roland D. Ealey, attorney; V. A. Walker, David L. Temple, the Rev. J. H. Brown, W. I. Palmer, H. H. Quarles;

Mrs. Addie J. Johnson, A. S. McFadden, Mrs. Gertrude Colden and Lt. Col. Daniel B. Winston who made the presentation of the gavel to the district grand master and Past Grand District Governor Mary Young, who presented the gavel to the district governor.

Following earlier business sessions of both bodies on Tuesday, the past governor's chamber entertained the district governor and other grand officers at 6 p.m. at 1319 Wallace St., followed by memorial services of the First Brigade, Grand Patriarchy in Bethel AME Church at 8.

Raymond Rice Presides

Participating in the Education Night program, in addition to Mr. Morton, principal speaker, were:

Raymond Rice, chairman of the committee on education, who presided; Eugene West, DGM; Mrs. Nannie B. Christian, Mrs. Mayme J. Carter and District Grand Secretary V. A. Walker. At 9 p.m.,

The grand banquet at Bethel AME Church at 10 p.m. climaxed the 1951 biennial session of the convention. The grand parade of patriarch and lodges, held earlier in the day on Wednesday, ended at Brook Field, where the competitive drills were held.

District grand officers are Eugene West, master; W. I. Palmer, deputy master; V. A. Walker, secretary; H. S. Hundley, treasurer; H. H. Quarles, director, and George O. Charity, auditor.

Household grand officers are Mesdames Lou Harris, governor; Luada Layton, deputy governor; Gertrude Colden, ruler; Laura P. Gilmore, W. T., and Katie Franklin, W. D.



# 600 Attend Convention *Agro-American* of Ideal Benefit Society

## BALTIMORE

The 39th annual convention of the Supreme Lodge of the National Ideal Benefit Society Inc. and the Ideal Nursery Guardian adjourned a three day meeting at the Trinity Baptist Church, Druid Hill Ave. and McMechen St., Thursday afternoon.

The Baltimore District with Mrs. Florence Snowden, deputy, was the host.

*Oct. 9-15-51*  
Z. A. Jones, Supreme Master, gave the opening address Tuesday morning. He told a delegation of approximately 600 persons attending the convention from Virginia, District of Columbia, Maryland and Pennsylvania of the progress that the organization has made since it was founded in July, 1912.

*Philadelphia*  
The organization founded by A. W. Holmes, started from scratch and is now worth more than \$100,000. The Ideal Nursery Guardians, founded by Mrs. A. W. Holmes in October, 1912, is a sister organization that is responsible for the care and grooming of the Junior organization for the Senior group.

### Purpose of Organization

The purpose of the fraternal organization is to serve in the cause of humanity. As a fraternal insurance, membership can be obtained by any fraternal organization that meets the qualifications. It pays sick and death benefits.

Since its beginning, the organization has had only three Supreme Masters, its founder, A. W. Holmes, B. W. Perkins, and Z. A. Jones.

Mesdames Gertrude Johnson, 1302 Lafayette Ave., Arlene Epps, 1131 Mount St.; Ida Winston, 1342 Stricker St.; Sartorius Jackson, 442 N. Carey St.; and Florence Snowden, 1930 Druid Hill Ave. were among the 100 guests at the banquet given by the Guardian's Board in the Blue Room of the York Hotel, Wednesday night.

### Mrs. Snowden Appointed

Mrs. Snowden, district deputy, was appointed as Supreme Right Hand Supporter in the Grand Lodge Thursday afternoon. The convention will be held in Philadelphia next year. Samuel Lemon, Philadelphia district deputy, will be host.



Dr. T. R. M. Howard Keynotes United Order of Friendship Conclave

# Forthright Challenge Given On Treatment of Race in Miss.

*Courier P. 18* (Courier Press Service)

CLEVELAND, Miss.—Mississippi whites received one of the most forthright challenges ever uttered in this state last week from Dr. T. R. M. Howard, surgeon-in-chief of Friendship Hospital and chairman of the board of the United Order of Friendship, who asked "for a chair at the council table for a qualified Negro in all matters pertaining to the future of the Negroes in Mississippi."

Presiding over the fourth annual conclave of the United Order of Friendship, Dr. Howard listed three reasons for dissatisfaction of Negroes in Mississippi, and proposed a three-point solution for the ills. His address was one of the highlights of the conclave which was attended by more than five hundred delegates.

Principal spaker for the Men's Day program was Dr. I. J. K. Wells, editor of Color magazine of Charleston, W. Va. The Rev. Adam Newsom, pastor of Cleveland's New Salem M.B. Church and Worthy Grand Chaplain of the Order, delivered the memorial eulogy at the opening session on Sunday afternoon. Dr. Howard's keynote address came that night. Business sessions began Monday, with a big parade being staged that afternoon.

Women leaders of the order are Mrs. M. E. Mullin, Worthy Grand Princess; Mrs. Alice Mayes, vice worthy Grand Princess; Miss Josephine Jenkins, Worthy Grand Recorder; Mrs. N. A. Toombs, Worthy Grandmother; Mrs. Matilda Rippie, Worthy Grand Speaker; Mrs. Fannie Loving, Worthy Grand Inner Watchman.

## THREE CRITICISMS

Dr. Howard's three criticisms were inadequate school and educational facilities; poor living conditions and lack of economic security, and lack of democracy and insecurity of life.

To remedy these ills, he proposed:

1. Support of all agencies seeking to make the race strong financially;

2. An all-out fight for unrestricted voting rights, and

3. A continued fight for better educational opportunities and longer school terms.

"The white man is definitely not responsible for all that is wrong with the Negro race, the youthful Kentucky-born surgeon said. You have got to be a black man in Mississippi for at least twenty-four hours to understand what it means to be a Negro in Mississippi." He blamed lack of opportunity for Mississippi's loss of nearly 350,000 in population in the last decade.

## MRS. VANN SPEAKS

Other highlights of the conclave included addresses outstanding leaders from other parts of the nation. These included Mrs. Robert L. Vann, president and publisher of the Courier, who addressed the Women's Day session on the subject: "Today's Woman in Today's World." Mrs. Vann traced the advance from the "horse-and-buggy" days to the

present jet-propelled era, and the part played by women in these advances.

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On Monday night, Judge W. B. Alexander Sr., of the Eleventh Circuit Court District of Mississippi, was the principal speaker. Mrs. Vann addressed the Women's Day program Tuesday, and Dr. Wells was the speaker on Wednesday at Men's Day. Atty. Benjamin Hooks of Memphis was the principal speaker at the Wednesday afternoon session.

Headquarters of the order is located in Clarksdale, Miss.

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## SEEK NEW HOSPITAL

One of the principal objectives of the United Order of Friendship is the building of a proposed Sarah Brown Memorial Hospital, for which a bequest of \$40,000 has already been made by a wealthy Pennsylvanian. A campaign is now on to augment this bequest with sufficient funds to erect the sorely needed hospital.

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# A.K.A.'s Honor 6 Presidents

*But 11-13-51*  
KANSAS CITY (NNPA) — With 750 delegates from all parts of the country looking on, six former national presidents of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority received special pins of honor Saturday night, at a banquet closing the 13th annual boules of the sorority held at the Municipal auditorium here December 27-30.

The AKA's met here in simultaneous session with the Kappa Alpha Psi and the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternities.

The six former presidents honored were Dr. Dorothy Boulding Ferebee of Washington, D.C., president of the National Council of Negro Women; Mrs. L. Pearl Mitchell of Cleveland, who has attended all except one of the sorority's thirty boules; Mrs. Maude Brown Porter of Louisville, Ky., wife of Bishop Porter of the CME Church; Mrs. Bobbie B. Scott of Washington; Mrs. Margaret Davis Bowen of Atlanta, wife of Bishop Bowen of the Methodist Church, and Mrs. Edna Over Gray of Baltimore, who retired from the presidency in 1949.

The pins were presented to the honorees by Mrs. Laura T. Lovelace of Cincinnati, present head of the AKA's.

A response on behalf of the former heads was made by Mrs. Scott.

Six other former presidents received their pins by proxy.

They are Nellie Quander of Washington, Lorraine E. Green of Chicago, Pauline S. Puryear of Newark, N.J.; Maudelle B. Bousfield of Chicago, Ida L. Jackson of Oakland, Calif., and Beulah T. Whitby of Detroit.

## Officers Named

Newly-elected officers were installed at the banquet by Mrs. Mitchell. They were elected at Saturday's business session and are:

Miss Pearl Sewell, Howard University student, second vice-president; Elsie Davis, parliamentarian; Evelyn Roberts, Central regional director, and Carolyn Carrington, Far Western regional director.

Re-elected for two-year terms were Mrs. Arnetta G. Wallace, Knoxville, Tenn., first vice president; Carolyn Blanton, Louisville, recording secretary; Lucile M. Scott, Atlanta, editor-in-chief of the Ivy Leaf; Mayme Williams, Miami, and Zetella Turner, Petersburg,

Va., South Atlantic regional director.

## To Baltimore

The AKA's voted to go to Baltimore in 1951 and to Cleveland in 1952, when plans are being made for the seven Greek letter organizations supporting the American Council on Human Rights to meet jointly.

The tri-convention of Alphas, Kappas and AKA's was the second time in history that three Greek letter groups have met in the same city at the same time, the first being in 1940 when the same three groups met in Kansas City.

The delegates voted to name the AKA endowment fund the Ethel Hedgeman Lyle Endowment Fund in memory of the founder of the sorority who died in Philadelphia in November. Members of the sorority will make contributions to the fund. On the fiftieth anniversary of the sorority, the sum of \$2,000 will be given to the two granddaughters of Mrs. Lyle to be used for their education.

The sorority also voted to continue its health project but named a committee to study and evaluate it in the light of present-day health needs among colored people.

## Council Wins Support

Support to the American Council on Human Rights was voted for a five-year period. An annual contribution of \$2,500 was voted for this agency which is set up to work for civil rights and other legislation favorable to colored American.

Reports were made on the National Health Project by Mrs. Grace D. Henson, director; on Gamma House at the University of Illinois by Mrs. Mary Mayo, chairman; on the national housing program by Mrs. Louise T. Clark, chairman, and on the American Council by Mrs. Gray, president; on the National Pan-Hellenic Council by Alma Hooks, and on the National Council of Negro Women by Mrs. Irma F. Clarke.

A reception honoring the national officers of the sorority was held Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Velma Woodson.

Memorial services for deceased members were conducted at the closing session Saturday afternoon with Ida Scott, of Chicago, as leader.

## Sigma President Heard

Among the speakers heard during the sessions were Mrs. Sallie Nuby Edwards of St. Louis, president of the Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, who spoke on "Mid-Century Relationships of Greek Letter Organizations," and Dr. Ferebee, who talked on "Women United."

Mrs. Edwards was the second national president of another sorority to address an AKA Boule. Miss Dorothy Height, president of Delta Sigma Theta, spoke at the AKA Boule in Houston, Texas, in 1949.

A group of undergraduates conducted a panel discussion Saturday morning. Participants were Carol Lewis of New York City; Dorothy Williams of Louisville Municipal College; Martha Seales of the University of Iowa, and Norma Martin of the University of Indiana. Betty Guess, retiring second vice-president of the sorority, a student at the University of Illinois, was chairman.



## Alpha, Kappas, and AKA's Adopt Civil Rights Resolutions

Kansas City, Mo.—Identical resolutions calling upon the U. S. Senate to abolish the filibuster and calling upon President Truman to establish by executive order an FEPC Commission were adopted by the 1,300 delegates attending the Kappa Alpha Psi, Alpha Phi Alpha and Alpha Kappa Alpha National Conventions here, December 27-30.

Delegates to the three Greek Letter Conventions voted unanimously in their separate organizations to ask the "members of the Senate to make a revision of its parliamentary rules the first order of business in January, 1951, so that the power of willful prejudiced minority to frustrate the action of the majority by filibuster may be curbed."

"Although enactment of Fair Employment and other Civil Rights legislation was a major promise in the national platforms of both the Democratic and Republican Parties," the resolution reads, "The 81st Congress adjourned without passage of a single Civil Rights bill. We call upon the members of both parties in the 82nd Congress to join together on a bi-partisan basis and speedily enact these important measures into laws."

In the resolution pertaining to the FEPC, the Greek Letter delegates said that "The present critical national emergency demands the full mobilization of our nation's human as well as physical resources. Unfortunately our governmental leaders have not recognized this sufficiently to take the necessary and proper action to date."

"We, therefore, call upon President Truman to establish by executive order a Fair Employment Practice Commission similar to that in existence during World War II so that contractors producing defense materials will not discriminate in hiring or upgrading on the basis of race, religion, or color."

Other resolutions adopted by the three conventions dealt with housing, federal aid to education and federal appointments.

The Housing and the Home Finance Agency was called upon to

"step up its program and to adequately insure that full participation will be accorded Negroes and other minorities in all new housing made available directly or indirectly through government funds."

Local groups all over the country were urged to take a special interest in the housing problem, to consult with local housing authorities and re-development agencies, to keep a sharp lookout for any and all discriminatory practices and to take positive steps to see that Negroes and other minorities benefit equally from the housing program.

Congress was called upon to pass the federal aid to education bill with safeguards insuring that the funds will be distributed equitably among the races and will not be used to support or extend the system of segregated education.

On the matter of federal appointments, the sorority and fraternity men and women noted that "scant recognition has been given Negroes in federal appointments and many of those who held positions of professional or administrative responsibility during the last war have been let out. This serious situation reflects no credit on the present administration and the appointment of Judge Hastie was significant primarily for its uniqueness."

"We call upon President Truman to bring into positions of responsibility able and qualified Negroes, who now are generally ignored when selections are being made."

## Tenn. State Gets National Spanish Honor Society

Dr. James O. Swain, head of the department of modern language of the University of Tennessee, installed a chapter Gamma Eta, of the Sigma Delta Pi National Spanish Honor Society on Tennessee State College campus recently.

Dr. Anna T. Watkins, head of the department of modern foreign languages, Tennessee State and who is an honorary member of Gamma Eta, was the sponsor and will serve as adviser to the chapter.

Newly elected officers are Crawford B. Lindsay, Jr., president; Jacqueline Jackson, vice president; Magdalene Carney, secretary; Pauline Warr, treasurer; Lantie Skeens, reporter. Other members are Miss Wendolyn Bell, Spanish Instructor, Tennessee State, honorary, and Professor John R. Cotton, Fisk, Associate.

Following the installation ceremonies a reception was held in the college cafeteria.

Gamma Eta is the recipient of a gift collection of foreign language books from Dr. Swain who is the national executive secretary of Sigma Delta Pi.

### Resolution Passed at Syracuse

## Fraternity Council Would Outlaw Bias

SYRACUSE, N. Y.—Racial and religious-biased fraternities are under fire. At Cornell University the flame was fanned hotter when the Interfraternity Council passed a resolution last week asking that all members of the National Interfraternity Council drop discriminatory clauses from their constitution.

The move projected Cornell into the forefront of a growing number of colleges which have taken action against discrimination on their campuses.

At Syracuse University the Interfraternity Council endorsed an anti-bias measure passed by the student government which urged the dropping of discriminatory practices and provided a student-faculty board to consider "appropriate cooperative measures."

The student anti-discrimination bill of 1950 gives organizations two and one-half years to wipe out bias clauses or be banned from the campus.

Cornell's recent resolution meets the issue of "fraternization without discrimination" head-on. It is to be presented at the next NIC meet and asserts "there can be no doubt that the discriminatory clauses in question are jeopardizing the very life of fraternities." The resolution urges NIC write into its constitution the following words:

"Member fraternities shall remove constitutional clauses restricting membership for racial or religious reasons at their annual conventions or withdraw from the NIC."



## Sorors Split; But Fraters Induct Negro

While members of Alpha Delta Phi social fraternity at the University of Chicago quietly initiated their first Negro brother last week, coeds of Alpha Xi Delta sorority at the University of Rhode Island noisily squabbled and split because some members wanted to accept a Narragansett Indian girl.

Marc Goss, 20, of New Rochelle, N. Y., a standout member of the University of Chicago track team, became the first Negro member of Alpha Delta Phi.

Two Rhode Island sorority members and six pledges walked out on Alpha Xi Delta when the group balked at accepting the Indian girl.

A survey of chapters throughout the country was attempted by the Rhode Island chapter to determine how other sisters felt about dropping the color bar. The national headquarters, however, called a halt to the query before it was completed.





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On Wednesday evening Howard University entertained the convention with a play in the Little Theatre and with a reception in the School of Religion Parlors.

In the Thursday morning session, Mr. Cromwell Riches, executive secretary, Board of Examiners, United States Foreign Service, presented an informative paper on the evolution of our foreign service, the divisions of the foreign service, examinations and recruitment, types of work and pay in the foreign service. After the paper there was a lively and enlightening question period.

Thursday afternoon Mrs. Anna Hedgeman, assistant to the administrator, Federal Security Agency, gave a stimulating and challenging address on "Federal Employment a Challenge to Youth." Mr. J. C. Evans, civilian assistant to the secretary of defense presented a paper on "Employment Opportunities in National Defense."

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Regional directors chosen were: T. E. McKinney, Johnson C. Smith; Charles Key, Morgan State; W. W. Jones, Kentucky State; Dr. I. A. Derbigny, Tuskegee; and Dr. T. C. Cothran, Arkansas State. Chosen to the executive council were George F. David of Wilberforce University and Miss Lula Ward.



## FRATERNITIES SEVER TIES OVER RACE BAN

STORRS, Conn., Sept. 24 (AP)—Four of the eighteen fraternities at the University of Connecticut have severed affiliation with their national organizations because of the university's anti-discrimination policy.

The current issue of Connecticut Campus, student publication, lists the four as Lambda Chi Alpha, Sigma Nu, Kappa Sigma and Sigma Chi.

The anti-discrimination policy was set forth by Albert N. Jorgensen, president of the university, in March, 1949. He said that, beginning in September, 1951, the use of university-owned buildings and property would be denied to organizations governed by constitutions containing clauses that discriminated against racial or religious groups.

The 1949 proclamation came a month after a referendum held by the student Senate on a proposal to strike out all discriminatory clauses in the constitutions or by-laws of all political, social, honorary and fraternal groups on the campus. With 38 per cent of the student body voting, the proposal was adopted 1,267 to 210.

The Campus said two other fraternities, Theta Chi and Sigma Alpha Epsilon, had removed discriminatory clauses from their constitutions this year, and thus the local chapters were able to retain national affiliation.



## The Greeks Speak

ONCE UPON A TIME many of our college presidents and a great many others had serious misgivings about the value of Greek letter fraternities and sororities. They wondered whether some kids came to college to get an education or to get a Greek letter pin.

We have some evidence at hand that indicates that these "greeks" are not as silly and frivolous as they once were believed to be. We refer specifically to the work of the Inter-Fraternal Council of Baton Rouge, Louisiana which embraces the local chapters of eight Greek letter organizations.

These "greeks" paid for a half page advertisement in the daily State Times of Baton Rouge which carried an interesting message indeed. The advertisement asks in bold letters "WHAT THE NEGRO WANTS?" and then proceeds to give the answers.

These answers are as follows: "Opportunities for his children to learn;" "Provision for children and adults to play;" "To Feel Secure;" "Public Housing for low income groups;" "To work at his highest skill;" "To participate in the formulation and implementation of civic policies," and finally "Complete Health protection."

An explanatory statement is carried beneath each of the above captions in the advertisement and they are all modestly phrased in a manner that seems calculated to get results. We congratulate the Baton Rouge "greeks" on their enterprise and we earnestly hope that the white folks to whom the advertisement is directed will realize that these colored citizens are deserving Americans.



# The Big Pan-Hellenic Three 45b-



National presidents of two fraternities and a sorority shown above, left to right, are J. Ernest Wilkins Sr. of Chicago, who retired from office this year; Mrs. Laura T. Lovelace, Cincinnati, president of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, whose term did not expire; and Belfore V. Lawson of Washington, president of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, who was re-elected.





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Above are shown members of the Committee on Planning and Policy of the National Pan-Hellenic Council who met in Norfolk Saturday to draft recommendations for submission to the Executive Committee of the National Pan-Hellenic Council. The group was selected at the last meeting of the national body.

Seated from left to right: Miss Edna J. Thompson, national undergraduate coordinator; Grant Reynolds, first vice-grand basileus, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity; Mrs. Bennetta Washington, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; William S. Harps, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity; Verdie L. Robinson, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity; and Mrs. Margurite Dark, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority. Standing — Julius Simmons, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity; Dr. Felix J. Brown, national president, Phi Beta Sigma and Victor J. Ashe, Kappa Alpha Psi, national president, Panhellenic Council.



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By the Associated Press

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"Since that time, two major factors have altered the 18th century view. First, in order to advance our scientific knowledge, the specialization of the 19th century was necessary. The 18th century conception of a universally educated man dissolved into a label of scientific voices no longer intelligible even to each other; and a new kind of illiteracy arose.

"Second, as scientific knowledge advanced . . . the conception of man himself shifted correspondingly from that of a rational being to that of a more highly evolved ape.

"Phi Beta Kappa, at least in its spirit, has always recognized the essential dignity and rationality of man. It is now a commonplace to point out that the task of unifying knowledge is infinitely greater than in the 18th century; that we have developed a force that can lead to self destruction, but lack the wisdom to control and direct that force toward its proper ends. This is the crisis we are called upon to meet.



# Sigma Pi Sigma Chapter Installed At Va. State

PETERSBURG, Va.—Four Virginia State College students were initiated into the Virginia State College chapter of the Sigma Pi Sigma National Physics Honor Society on Thursday, April 19. A local group of advanced physics students and faculty members installed the chapter at 2:30 in the seminar room of the Johnston Memorial Library.

The four students initiated are Samuel E. Chappell, of Abingdon, Va.; Paul L. Logan, of Petersburg; Clarence C. Edwards, of Clifford, Va.; and Lionel W. Williams, of Hagerstown, Md.

Sigma Pi Sigma was founded in 1921 at Davidson College, Davidson, N. C., and has over 70 chapters in some of the leading universities and colleges in the country. Nearby chapters are located at Howard University, Washington, D. C., Virginia Polytechnic Institute, and the University of Richmond. Sigma Pi Sigma is an associated society of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and holds membership in the Association of College Honor Societies.

THE INSTALLATION of the chapter at the college is a recognition of the standing of the physics department of Virginia State College in the field of science. This distinction comes largely as a result of the efforts of Dr. John M. Hunter, head of the department of physics, and his staff, in bringing the department up to rating among the best in the country.

Demand for the graduates of the college who have majored in physics is quite keen, and there is little difficulty in placing those majoring in physics in responsible positions.

Among recent graduates who have gone into professional work in physics are the following: J. W. Bentley, television engineer, Washington, D. C.; E. T. Hall, physicist, Pratt Whitney Company, Hartford, Conn.; P. B. Wilson, electronic specialist, Boston, Mass.; W. D. Townes, physicist, Signal Corps Laboratories, Fort Monmouth, N. J., and D. W. Stevenson, first lieutenant, Air Corps, Signal Officer.

THE VIRGINIA STATE College chapter of Sigma Pi Sigma was formally installed by Dr. Marsh W. White, the national executive secretary of the society. Dr. R. E. Alley, chairman of the department of physics, University of Richmond; Dr. M. H. Trytten, national president of Sigma Pi Sigma and director of the Office of Scientific Personnel; Dr. Lawrence Robinson, professor of physics, Howard University, and a representative from Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

The charter members of the Virginia State chapter include

Dr. J. M. Hunter, R. H. Adkins, Dr. T. N. Baker, S. E. Chappell, W. N. Cooper, C. C. Edwards, P. H. Logan, B. S. Lowe, Dr. C. H. Townes, and L. W. Williams.

After the formal installation of the new chapter, the group tendered a banquet to the installing group and guests at 6 p. m., in Jones Dining Hall.

AN OPENING MEETING was held at 8 p. m. in the auditorium of Virginia Hall. Dr. Trytten was the principal speaker. His topic was "The Military Situation and Specialized Personnel." Following the public meeting, an open house was held in the laboratories of the physics department in Colson Hall.

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ALPHA'S GREATEST CONVENTION will be held on the University of California campus at Berkeley, December 21-30. General President Bedford Lawson confers with members on the convention plans. Seated left to right: Far Western Vice President, [Name]; General Convention Chairman, Walter Spann; General President, Bedford Lawson; Far Western Regional Director, Waldemar Nixon; Chapter Presidents, H. [Name], [Name], [Name]; W. [Name], Delta Omicron, J. Debro, Alpha Epsilon.



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# Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity

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*James C. Thompson*

THE 'ALPHA MAN OF THE YEAR' AWARD, given each year to the outstanding member of Beta Lambda chapter of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity of Greater Kansas City, is received, this year, by S. H. Thompson, right. The honor is given to the man who, by vote of the fraternity, has contributed signal service in advancing the year's program of the chapter. Mr. Thompson is supervisor of elementary schools in Kansas City, Kas., and director of education for Beta Lambda chapter. Under his direction, a program of rehabilitation of delinquent boys has been successfully carried on by the fraternal group during the past year. Here he is receiving the award from Beltron Orme, past president of Beta Lambda chapter at the annual Founders Day Banquet held at Paws YWCA, on Saturday, April 14.



## Alphas Give \$750 to Aid Fight to Break Tenn. U's Racial Ban

KNOXVILLE, Tenn. — Members of the Alpha Mu Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity have entered an intensive campaign to support the NAACP in its fight to help five colored applicants enroll at the University of Tennessee. They donated \$750 to the agency.

At a recent meeting of the trustees of the University, the privilege to enroll in the graduate and professional schools of the university was denied the applicants. Immediately the NAACP announced plans to defend the rights of these colored applicants.

Alpha Mu Lambda Chapter sponsors a citizenship program. Therefore, the \$750 check was presented to Mrs. B. H. Netherland, president of the Knoxville NAACP to be used specifically in fighting the University of Tennessee case.

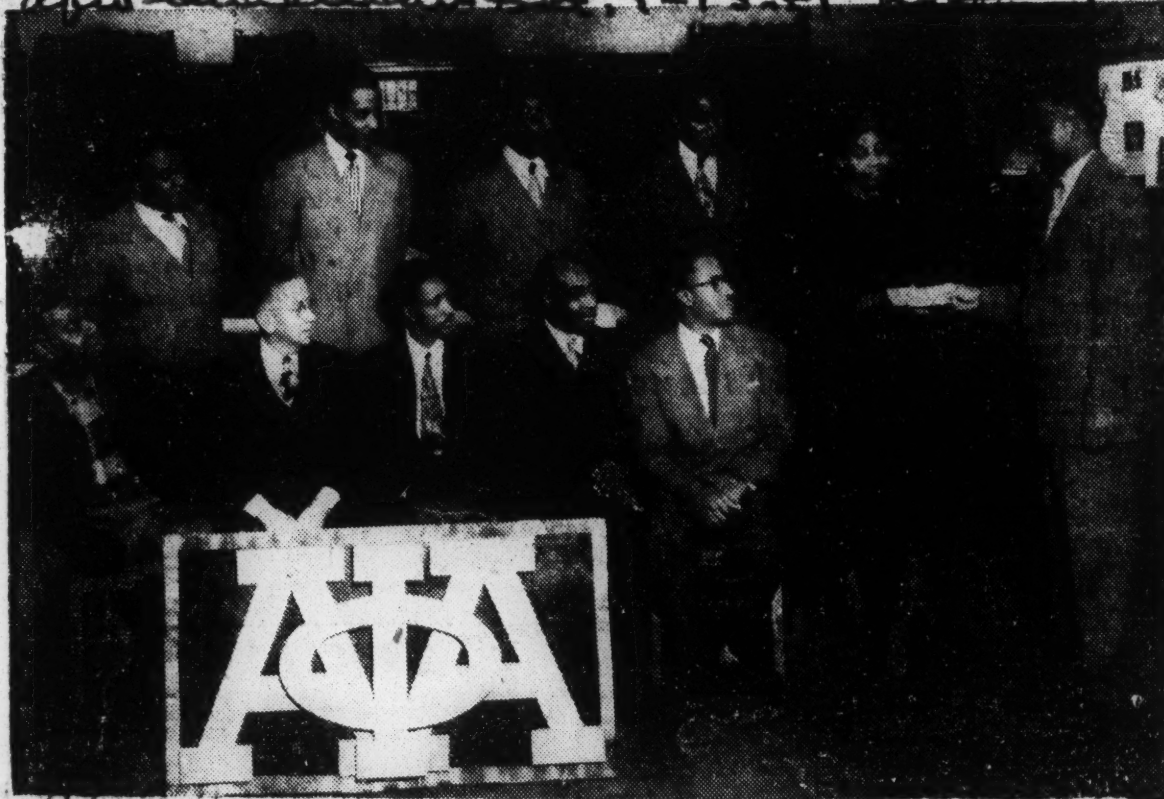
Alpha Mu Lambda does not consider that any other citizenship project has more significance attached to it locally, than this particular case. This contribution does not indicate the final support which Alpha Mu Lambda plans to give this project.

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## Lawson Again Alpha Head

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Other officers elected were: A. Maceo Smith, Dallas, Tex., southwestern vice president; Edward W. Brooks, Roxbury, Mass., eastern vice president; Lionel H. Newsome, St. Louis, midwestern vice president; Jacob R. Henderson, Atlanta, southern vice president; Byron Rumford, Berkeley, Calif., far western vice president;

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Bennie D. Brown, Chicago, national executive secretary; Meredith G. Ferguson, Nashville, Tenn., general treasurer; W. Barton Beatty, Hampton, Va., editor-in-chief, Sphinx magazine;

John Broadhead, Philadelphia, director of educational activities; Jawn A. Sandifer, New York, general counsel; Dr. Charles H. Wesley, Wilberforce State College, historian;

Lay members, John P. Ward, Bloomington, Ind.; Jerome Farris, Atlanta; Shelby L. Robinson, Los Angeles; Manuel Walker, Howard University; and Charles W. Wexler, Ann Arbor, Mich.

### Three Awards Made

The following honors were announced:

Alpha plaque, highest award, to Alpha Rho, Morehouse College, Atlanta; cup for outstanding achievement, Beta Nu chapter, Florida A & M College, Tallahassee,

Monroe B. Senter, J. H. Harper; Standing are P. M. Alexander, Lucius Y. Ross, Alfred G. Dunston Jr., O. T. Hogue, Mrs. Netherland and Mr. Jackson.

Fla.; Alpha man of the year, Cecil L. Murray, Beta Nu; and key for highest achievement by a graduate chapter, Gamma Phi Lambda chapter.

Secretary Brown reported that membership in Alpha during 1950 was higher than at any time during the fraternity's history.

### Boyd Plan Backed

The convention encouraged purchase of houses under the Boyd plan — through which the fraternity will underwrite mortgages of house purchases in areas where it is difficult to get mortgages. During the past year, Alpha added two new houses, the Swedish embassy in Washington, D.C., and a palatial mansion in Los Angeles.



# 'Separate but Equal' Faces Destruction, Says Alpha Prexy

By A. M. RIVF Jr.

CHARLOTTE, N. C.—"God has spoken to this generation and the dawn is breaking on the muted midnight of segregation as it rises in the dust of its last hours," Atty. Belford V. Lawson, well-known civil rights lawyer and president of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, told an audience here last week.

The prominent Washington, D. C., lawyer addressing delegates and visitors of the Southern Regional Conference of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity in the auditorium of the West Charlotte High School told his listeners that "the fate of the world hinges on the action that a few governments take within the next few months."

The speaker cautioned that if a discussion on the subject, "Mobilization for Full Democracy," is not to stand, "the great glass deposits of hate which have covered the human spirit" must be displaced by a deep and abiding conviction for simple ordinary brotherhood.

led by Moss Kendrix, public relations officer for National Educational Association. Other panel members included William Hale, Clark College, and Wilson Hubert, Department of Public Health, Savannah, Ga.

A panel discussion on the subject, "Effecting a Dynamic Undergraduate Program" was heard at the second session, and C. A. Bacote of Atlanta, Ga., directed for the final session.

## REFERS TO MacARTHUR

In a reference to Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Mr. Lawson said, "Histrionics never stand in the way of the majestic march of history." He advised that despite the confusion and tyranny, "I do not feel that we have cause for alarm. God has spoken to this generation," Attorney Lawson asserted, "and our democracy has its origin and continued life in God's eternal sanction."

Predicting the end of segregation and jim crow, Lawson declared, "We are facing the final destruction of the monster 'separate but equal' and no man, no nation, no race can stand in the way of the ultimate triumph of God's word."

The speaker was introduced by J. R. Henderson, Atlanta, Ga., vice president of the Southern regional.

## 3-DAY CONFERENCE

The three-day conference was divided into three sessions which were held on the campus of Johnson C. Smith University. The first session was an interfraternity examination of immediate goals in the area of public relations. This panel discussion was



ALPHAS IN PORTLAND — Belford Lawson (3rd from left) president of the Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity, talks with fraternity brothers after delivering a luncheon speech in Portland, Oregon. Left to right, William McCoy Jr., president of Ep-

silon Zeta Lambda chapter; Dr. DeNorval Unthank, treasurer; Lawson; Carl Deiz, secretary, and Bill L. Berry, executive secretary of the Portland Urban League.—AP photo.



## National Sociological Fraternity Offers Cash Awards in Essay Contest

Atlanta, Georgia, (Special)—

Alpha of Georgia Chapter of Alpha Kappa Delta National Honorary Sociological Fraternity, is offering two \$25.00 cash awards for the best sociological paper written on "The Impact of War on Marriage and the Family." One of the awards will be given to the best paper submitted by a college student and the other to the best paper received from a graduate student. The awards will be presented during the June commencement exercises.

In sponsoring this competition, the Fraternity, whose members are instructors and advanced students in sociology at Atlanta University, Clark College, Morehouse College and Morris Brown College, is endeavoring to stimulate scholarly inquiry into sociological questions among the students of the Atlanta University Center.

Any student who is enrolled in the Atlanta University Center is eligible to participate after filing an application to that effect. Papers to be considered for an award must be received before midnight on April 30, 1951. Judges, who are not officially connected with any of the Atlanta Colleges, will be selected and their decision will be considered final.

Questions concerning the contest may be directed to Alpha Kappa Delta National Honorary Sociological Fraternity, Atlanta University, Atlanta, Georgia.





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## Interracial Fraternity At N.C. College

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A spokesman for the fraternity at N. C. C. explained that the new Greek letter organization was formed "in protest to the existing policies of racial bias which are exhibited by several fraternities at some of the nation's larger universities."

Prerequisites for membership in the fraternity are said to include qualities of sound scholarship, leadership, general ability to live harmoniously with individuals of various beliefs and ideals; and qualities of high moral character.

It will mark the eighth Greek letter organization on the North Carolina college campus. Only four other chapters of the new fraternity are now established. The present chapters are located at St. Johns college in New York City; Brooklyn college; College of the City of New York; and the City College of Business and Finance of New York. They are all in the city of New York.





**NORTH CAROLINA INTERRACIAL FRATERNITY**—Calvin Norman, front row, extreme left, with scroll, of Jamaica, N. Y., was formerly inducted as chancellor of Beta Delta Mu's Epsilon chapter at North Carolina College last month. Alden Norman Haeffner, front row, center, is grand chancellor of the national interracial fraternity. Frat members include: Kenneth McNell, Sumner, S. C.; Lisbon C. Berry, Wilmington, N. C.; S. S. Edley, Roanoke, Va.; Jerry Hunschman, N. Y.; Robert Marsh, N. Y.; Irv Goodman, N. Y.; Irving Klar, N. Y.; Marvin Stall, N. Y.; Clatham M. Ross, Durham, N. C., and Stan Ross, New York, N. Y.



# Ponder Fate Of Frat That Accepted Negro

BRUNSWICK, Me.—The Rev. James A. Doubleday, clerk of the corporation of Delta Upsilon Fraternity, said last week that a meeting has been called of alumni and undergraduates of Bowdoin College to determine what further steps are to be taken in the break with the national fraternity over the admittance of a Negro student last year.

The 620 members of the Bowdoin chapter withdrew from the national body when a protest was made over the initiation of a Negro to the group. The Bowdoin chapter decided to operate as a local group and took the name Delta Sigma.

The questions to be brought up at the meeting on Dec. 8, include, whether the present fraternity house should be sold

and its assets disposed of, whether the present membership should be allowed to use the property under another name, and whether the present undergraduates at Bowdoin House should be moved out and an attempt made to reorganize another Delta Upsilon chapter.

## Bowdoin College Fraternity Polls Members On Negroes

BRUNSWICK, Me.—(ANP)—In the latest development in the year-long wrangle over the admission of a Negro student to Delta Upsilon Fraternity, alumni and undergraduate members of Bowdoin's chapter have been polled to determine what will be the next step in its fight with the national organization.

The move to take a poll of members came after a recent decision of the local chapter to withdraw from the national body and operate as a local group. It adopted the name of Delta Sigma.

The issue resulted from the national organization's refusal to support the chapter's initiation of a Negro as a member of the fraternity.

Meanwhile a special meeting was held to decide on these questions, which have been placed before the 620 members of the chapter:

1. Should the Bowdoin Delta Upsilon Chapter House corporation dispose of its assets by selling its chapter house and furnishings?
2. Should the present group of undergraduates and their successors be allowed to use the property under whatever name they choose to adopt?
3. Should the present undergraduates be removed from the house and attempts be made to reorganize the Delta Upsilon undergraduate chapter at Bowdoin through the efforts of interested alumni?

The Rev. James A. Doubleday, clerk of the corporation, said the meeting was called by the board of directors.

## FRATERNITY IS POLLED IN DISPUTE ON NEGRO

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.  
BRUNSWICK, Me., Nov. 28—Alumni and undergraduate members of Bowdoin's Delta Upsilon fraternity have been polled to determine what will be the next step in the local chapter's fight with the national fraternity.

The action is part of a year-long wrangle between undergraduate members of Delta Upsilon and the national fraternity over the initiation of a Negro. On Oct. 10, John A. Ritcher of Longmeadow, Mass., the then president of Bowdoin's chapter, announced it had withdrawn from the national organization and would operate at Bowdoin as a local group. It adopted the name, Delta Sigma.

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### Congratulations To the Kappas

The Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity went up a notch in the estimation of many non-fraternity people when it made a contribution of \$1,000 to the N.A.A.C.P. at its recent conclave in Kansas City. The college sororities and fraternities justify their existence only when they contribute to the welfare and well-being of the people as a whole. *Call 45 (1)*

In coming to the financial assistance of the N. A. A. C. P. at a time when this fighting organization sorely needs additional funds, the Kappas established themselves as a group of men worthy of the respect of the country. *See 1-19-51*

It is unfortunate that the other Greek letter organizations which also met at Christmas time were not enough concerned about their fellow man to make similar contributions. Although many of them have taken out life memberships in the N.A.A.C.P., this \$500 contribution is not nearly enough for a lifetime, for organizations boasting of large memberships made up of some of the nation's most successful and prosperous men and women.

Hats off to the Kappas and may their leadership in this respect influence other groups next year to give substantial aid to the organization which, step by step, is winning for Negroes full democracy in these United States.

## ST. LOUIS ATTORNEY ELECTED GRAND POLEMARCH AT KAPPA ALPHA PSI MEET IN KANSAS CITY

*Black Dispatch*  
Fraternity Brothers Give \$1,000 to NAACP  
And Affirm Belief in FEPC Legislation

### TWO "BROTHERS" AWARDED LAUREL WREATH

(By G. James Fleming)

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — (ANP) — Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity last week elected Frank M. Summers, an East St. Louis, Ill., attorney, grand polemarch, as it held its 40th annual conclave here in Kansas City.

The Kappas also gave an emergency contribution of \$1,000 to the NAACP, called upon the President to issue a fair employment practices executive order, and took a stand on other civil rights.

On the civic front, the fraternity voted unanimously to continue its participation in the American Council on Human Rights. It voted out \$2,500 for the council.

The fraternity asked congress to pass civil rights legislation, supported federal education, and demand better housing for the masses of the people.

Delegates directed attention to the plight of minority group citizens in housing, education, appointments to federal jobs, and equal opportunity.

Brothers officially passed legislation forbidding violence in initiation programs of local chapters.

Two brothers were honored with laurel wreaths, the highest award given by the fraternity. Winners were Percy H. Lee, Kansas City school teacher, and George E. C. Hayes, legal counsel for Howard university.

Summers, the new grand polemarch, will succeed J. Ernest Wilkins Sr., of Chicago, who has held an office in the fraternity for 28 years. The new polemarch was the first official pledge of the fraternity, pledging in full at Alpha chapter at the University of Indiana. He also was first editor of the Kappa Journal.

Also elected were:

James T. Hawkins, Durham, N. C., senior grand vice polemarch; Richard Millsbaugh, Omaha, Neb., junior grand vice polemarch; J. Ernest Wilkins Jr., grand keeper of records and exchequer; John Roland, Institute, W. Va., grand strategus.

John Norwood, Tallahassee, Fla., grand lieutenant-strategus; Lorenzo Greene, Jefferson City, Mo., grand-historian.

Ezra D. Alexander, Indianapolis, Ind., member (nonvoting), board of directors; James Bruce, Washington, D. C., undergraduate member, board; and Thomas E. Ashe, Mt. Hope, W. Va., and Guy L. Grant, Indianapolis, Ind., graduate members, board of directors.

Among brothers attending were three founders, Dr. Frank Summers, East St. Louis; Dr. Guy L. Grant, Indianapolis, and Dr. Ezra Alexander, Indianapolis, and several past grand polemarch, Archie A. Alexander, engineer, Des Moines, Ia.; Carl R. Johnson, Kansas City; James E. Scott, Washington, D. C., and Augustus G. Parker, Cleveland.

### Honored by Kappas



*See 1-19-51*  
George E. C. Hayes, prominent Washington attorney, who was awarded the Laurel Wreath by the Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity at its annual conclave in Kansas City, Mo. last week, for outstanding achievement. Mr. Hayes is a member of the Washington Alumni Chapter of Kappa.

## Kappa Alpha Psi Confab Votes \$1,000 To NAACP

NEW YORK — An emergency contribution of \$1,000 to the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People was made last week by the national Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity at its fortieth annual grand chapter meeting in Kansas City. Last year the fraternity voted \$500 for a life membership in the NAACP.

Mrs. Janet Rosenwald Becker of Baltimore, presented a gift of \$2,000 to the association. Other contributions received last week include \$100 each from The Frontiers Club of Baltimore and from Mr. and Mrs. Edgar M. Berliner of Beverly Hills, Calif.; \$75 from James L. Ackerman, American Academy, Rome, Italy; and \$50 each from Johanna M. Volkmann of San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph L. Helstein of Chicago, and the Norfolk District of the Washington and Virginia Annual Conference of the C. M. E. Church.

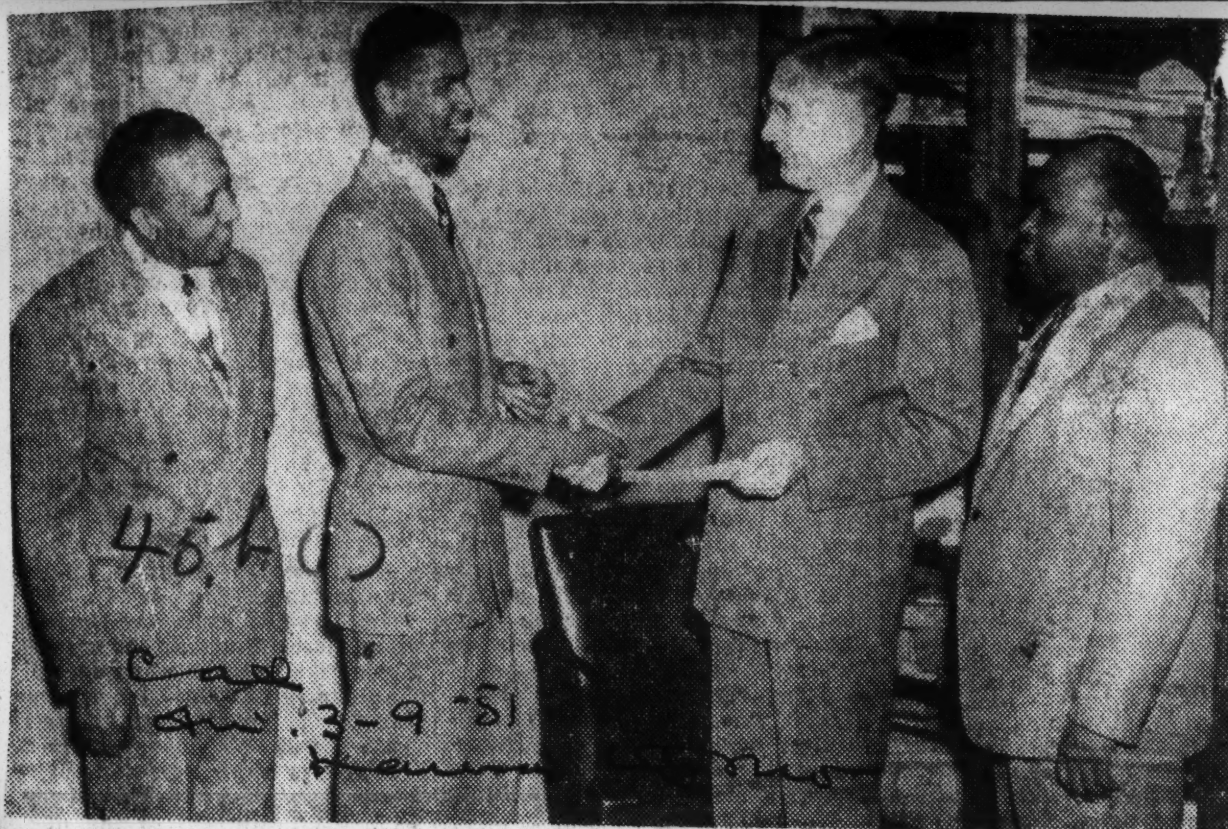
Benjamin Kaplan of Cambridge, Mass., contributed \$100 to the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund, Inc.



## New Polemarch



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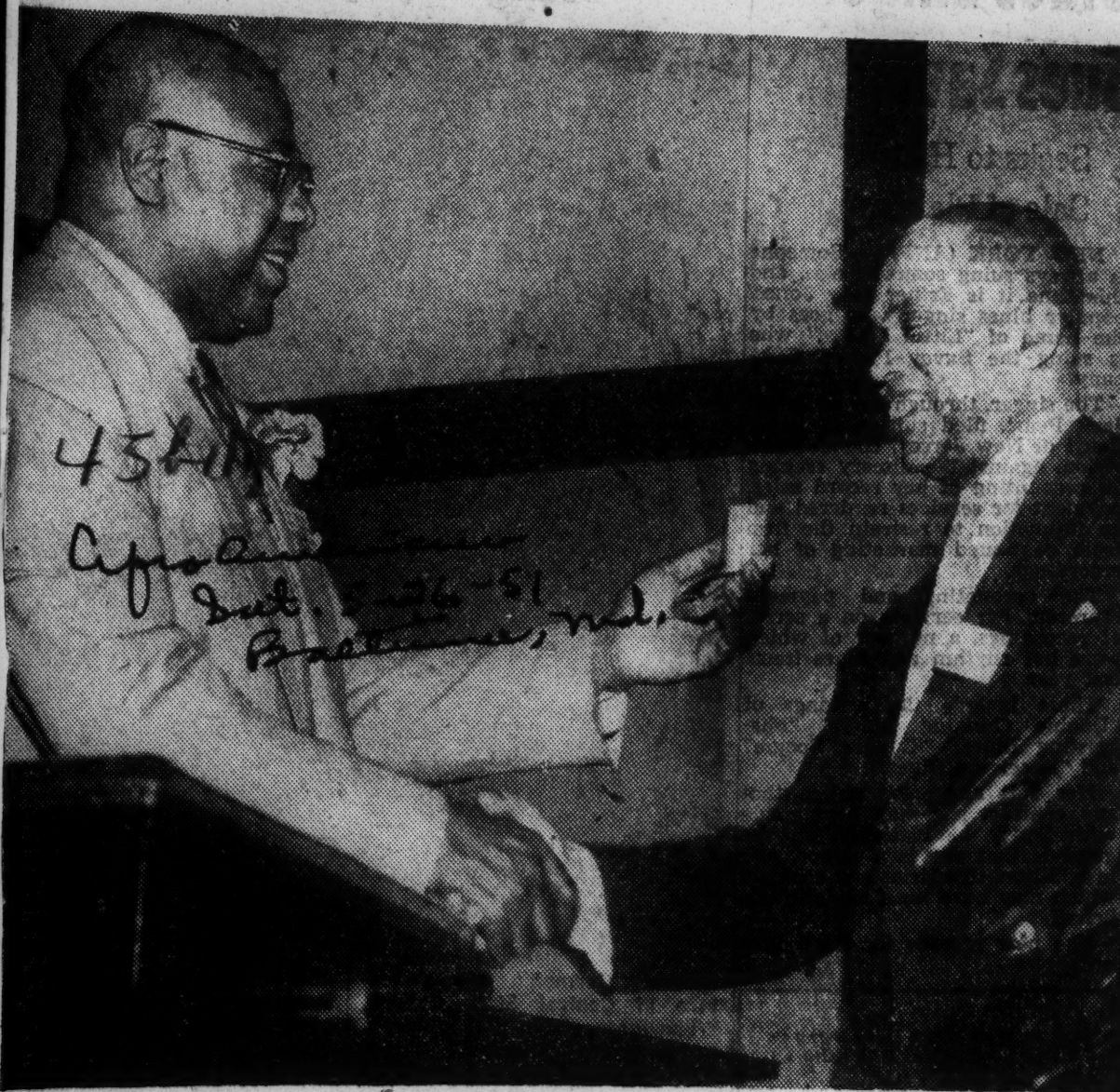


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**GETS KAPPA SCHOLARSHIP.**—Alonzo Frazier (second from left) is shown receiving the Kappa Alpha Psi scholarship check from Laurence C. Woodruff, dean of men at the University of Kansas. Two fraternity representatives, Percy H. Lee, provincial polemarch, (extreme left) and Rashey B. Moten Jr., local polemarch (extreme right) look on.

last year, became the first Negro ever to be elected student Mayor of Kansas City in all-city balloting among high school students. The scholarship award is given annually by the Kansas City Alumni chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi fraternity to an outstanding male high school graduate of the Greater Kansas City area.



## Washington Attorney Honored by Kappas



LAUREL WREATH TO ATTORNEY:

# Kappas Present Highest Award to George Hayes

The pit was given to Mr. Hayes, member of the law firm of Cobb, Howard and Hayes, by Dr. W. Henry (Stud) Greene, regional polemarch, at a public meeting held in Rankin Memorial Chapel at Howard University Sunday.

He pointed out that the failure of the State Department to give minority groups a say in the policy-making level of the agency is causing the United States to be beating on the international

Mr. Hayes was born in Richmond, Va., about 55 years ago. Dr. Greene, in reading Mr. Hayes' record of achievements, refrained from giving the date of his birth.) He married the former Miss Louise Adams, a public school teacher here, in 1924.

Also Richard E. Teasley, Ward T. Williams, Edward G. Washington, Edwin L. Williams Jr., Tom Walker Thad White, Sie Young, Gordon C. Young, Elmer W. Henderson, William S. Harps, Howard Harris, Burdette W. Hockaday, George N. Hilburn Percy Y. Hamilton;

S. Haynes, Leon W. Holley, Charles S. Ireland, Robert H. Johnson, Howard Jernigan, Leonard R. Jenkins, Charles Johnson, Edmond Johnson, Columbus W. Kelley, Homer R. Kemp Jr., Roscoe F. Lee, Harry Lowe, Larry C. Lee.

Illinois—Joseph E. Snowden;

Indiana—Gay L. Grant;

Louisiana—August C. Terrence Maryland—Thomas R. Adams, Robert Ammons, Albert Bushrod, Larence Collins, Raymond Captrner, Marvin Davis, Paul Dandridge, Arlo Fair, William A. Hunt, Phillip Hall, Henry Haste, Charles Hawkins, Robert Haynes, Robert L. Johns, Martin Jenkins, Jerome Julius, Albert J. Jacobs,



# Kappa Fraternity Meet

## Set For December 26

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind. —(NNPA) —One of the most important annual meetings of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity will be held here December 26-29 when 500 delegates are expected for the organization's forty-first Grand Chapter.

Headquarters will be in the Memorial Plaza, Indianapolis' famed war memorial, with one day's session, December 28, at the University of Indiana at Bloomington, birthplace of the fraternity.

Sessions will be presided over by Frank M. Summers, of East St. Louis, an attorney and grand pole-march of the fraternity.

In addition to the regular reports, this conclave will give a boost to the building of a chapter house and national Kappa memorial at the University of Indiana to serve the housing needs of undergraduate members and as a memorial to the late Elder W. Diggs, Indianapolis school principal, father of the fraternity, and other founders.

The meeting also must act on continued affiliation of the fraternity in the American Council on Human Rights, national Greek-letter lobbying agency in Washington.

A highlight of the grand chapter meeting will be the public meeting at 8 p. m., Thursday, December 27, at the Memorial Plaza. The principal speaker will be Dr. Herman G. Canaday, professor of psychology at West Virginia State and prominent in the councils of the American Psychological Association.

Another important program item is the annual closed banquet at 6:30 p. m., Friday, December 28, in the Union Building at the University of Indiana. The principal speaker will be Dr. Martin D. Jenkins, president of Morgan State College.

On the social side, an open formal dance will be held at 10 p. m., Wednesday, December 26, at Skat-arena, 27th Street and Schofield Avenue; Thursday, December 27, Pan-Hellenic formal dance at Skat-arena; midnight, Friday, December 28, cocktail party, Walker Casino, and Saturday, December 29, closed dance at the Memorial Plaza.

In addition, the conclave will hold luncheon sessions Thursday and Saturday, December 27 and

29, at the Central YWCA, Indianapolis, and Thursday at the Indiana Union Building, Bloomington

Dr. Guy L. Grant is general chairman of arrangements. Robert Lee Brokenburr, an attorney, is co-chairman. William D. Mackey and William A. Reeves are co-chairmen of the committee on housing and meeting places.



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Lambda Sigma Fraternity

**Two Negroes  
In Fraternity  
At Oklahoma A. & M.**

By FLOOSIE THOMPSON

STILLWATER, Okla. — (ANP)

— A. G. Rogers and Edgar A. Guest were initiated into the Zeta Chapter of the Lambda Sigma fraternity during the summer session at Oklahoma A&M college.

The fraternity, a trades and industrial arts fraternity, has nearly five hundred members.

Rogers teaches auto mechanics at Booker Washington high school and Guest teaches industrial arts at Carver Junior high school both in Tulsa.



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Achievement Week was inaugurated at the ninth Grand Conclave in 1920 at Nashville, when it was called "Negro History and Literature Week" out of deference to the late Dr. Carter G. Woodson, a member of the fraternity. In 1925, however, the celebration was revived at the Tuskegee Grand Conclave as "Negro Achievement Week." It is now known as "National Achievement Week" and will be observed by 225 chapters scattered over the entire United States. The theme for the observance is "Securing World Peace by Strengthening Democracy."

An interesting and appealing supporting program is being planned for Sunday night, and the public is cordially invited. Prof. J. H. Gilchrist is Basileus of the chapter.

## Negro Achievement Week



# Omegas Cite Judge Give 8 Scholarships

BOSTON—The 37th annual conclave of Omega Psi Phi fraternity held here Dec. 26-30 was its largest and best. Delegates from every State in the Union attended the sessions at the New England Mutual Hall and Hotel Statler.

Guest speaker was Willard S. Townsend, international president, United Transport Service Employees Union, CIO; and U. S. District Judge J. Waties Waring of Charleston, S. C., was honored.

Governor Paul A. Dever, Victor C. Bynoe representing Mayor John B. Hynes, and J. C. Rockell, vice-president, Real Chamber of Commerce, greeted delegates and guests at the Founder's banquet where citations were awarded.

## Honors, Scholarships

Judge Waring, who was unable to attend, was honored as "the outstanding (1950) citizen;" and T. J. Lawrence, Louisville, Ky., was named "Omega man of the year."

Eight scholarships of \$1250 each were awarded to R. V. Boone, Va.; Samuel Cooke, Ohio; Clarence Guienze, La.; Henderson Johnson, Tennessee; Arthur Lyman, Georgia; A. T. McDaniel, Washington; Roy Petty, Texas; and Charles Smith, Tennessee.

## Two New Officers

All but two of the officers were re-elected. The new executives are James Young, Atlanta, second vice-grand basileus; and Walter Reddick, grand keeper of records and seals.

Officers re-elected were Milo C. Murray, Gary, Ind., grand basileus; Grant Reynolds, NYC, vice-grand basileus; Jesse B. Blayton, Atlanta, keeper of finance; and Herbert Tucker, Boston, grand counselor. The 1951 convention will be held in Miami, Fla.

A smoker at Butler Hall, an interfraternal dance at Symphony Hall ballroom, a dance at Hotel Statler, another dance at Roxbury Memorial High School, a basketball game, and numerous private parties featured the entertainment program.

## Among the Delegates

Among the delegates were A. C. Spaulding and John Atkins,

Durham, N. C.; Dr. A. J. Macklin, president, Virginia State College; John Potts, Charleston, S. C.; Lt. Lawrence Oxley, Washington; Dr. Edwin Robinson and Thomas M. Dent, Los Angeles; the Rev. George Phillips, Miami; J. T. Brooks, Montgomery, Ala.; Carey Jacobs, Indianapolis; Morton Brooks, Philadelphia;

Edward Loving, Fort Worth, Tex.; John Clarke, Hartford, Conn.; Harry Penn, Roanoke, Va.; Cornelius Jenkins, NYC; Stevens Marchman, Chicago; Richard Carey, NYC; Parnell Durette, Providence, R. I.; and Dr. John Catalan, New Haven, Conn.

## Omega Alpha Wives Serve

The Q'ettes, wives of Omega members, entertained wives of the delegates with a luncheon at the Olde Oyster House following a sight-seeing tour of this historic city.

Alpha wives were hostesses to the visitors at the home of Mrs. Amalia Gourdin, and a coffee hour was held at the League of Women for Community Service.

The Q'ettes officers are: Mesdames Agatha Roberson, wife of

Charles Roberson, basileus and grand marshal, president; Mary Tucker, vice-president; Frances Teixeira, secretary; and Otis Dixon, treasurer.

Other members are: Pocahontas Anderson, Marjorie Bianchi, Myrtle Boles, Bernice Brothers, Dorothy Burrows, Matilda Charleston, Helen Coates, Thelma Cooper, Virginia Dabney, Helen Davis, Celestine Dorch, Rheable Edwards, Dorothy France, Sylvia Garnett, Glendella Garrett, Elizabeth Gray, Velma Green;

Other Omega Wives: Madeline Hawkins, Esther Hill, Olive Hylton, Bille Lew, Anne Magby, Elizabeth Mayes, Alice McCoy, Margaret McKenney, Esther Perinchief, Marjorie Phillibert, Helen Platt, Ernestine Plummer, Leona Small, Alice Snowden, Marion Stanley, Jeanne Wilson and Millicent Woodfork.

Grand Marshal Roberson was assisted by Herbert Tucker, Edward Dixon, James Cannady, William Dabney, Roy Ellis, John Francis, Frank Davis, Louis Brothers, Howard Grey, Arthur Lew, John Garrett and others.

## Omegas Name Education Fund

## For Dr. Drew

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## Milo Murray Heads Omegas; Re-elected at 37th Annual Conclave

By BALI SCHALK

BOSTON, Mass.—Brothers of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity took over the Bean City during the recent holidays in one of its most significant and entertaining conclaves held in years, and elected as Grand Basileus Atty. Milo C. Murray of Gary, Ind.

After three days of glorious good times and good fellowship, aided by the loyal Boston hosts, the election of officers brought the gathering to a spell-binding close, with the choice of Miami, Fla., as the scene of 1951's conclave.

## ELECTED

Besides Attorney Murray, others named to high posts included Grant Reynolds, vice-grand basileus, New York; James N. Young, second vice grand basileus, Atlanta, Ga.; Walter H. Riddick, grand keeper of record and seal, Norfolk, Va.; Jesse D. Blayton, grand keeper of finance, Atlanta, Ga.; Ellis Corbett, editor of Oracle, Norfolk, Va., and Atty. Herbert E. Tucker Jr., grand counselor, Boston, Mass.

Meetings were held in the Professional and Businessmen's Club, New England Mutual Hall, Hotel Statler, with the public meeting taking over Union Methodist Church.

## ACTIVITIES

Among the conclave activities were many social affairs, while the serious business of the week circled about the theme, "Strengthening and Safeguarding the Human Rights of All Americans." Gov. Paul A. Dever and Mayor

John B. Hynes gave welcome addresses at the public meeting, at which Brother Milo C. Murray, grand basileus, introduced the main speaker, the dynamic Brother Willard S. Townsend.

Brother Herbert E. Tucker, First District representative, gave the introductory remarks.

Conclave committee chairmen who worked with their committees assiduously during the many months in preparation for the gala occasion, included Charles Roberson, grand marshal; Edward Dixon, Roy Ellis, James Cannady, John Garret, Robert Garnett, Herbert E. Tucker Jr., William H. Habndy and Emile Drysdale.

Joan Smith, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. J. K. Smith of Columbus, Ohio, was named "Omega Sweetheart" for the thirty-seventh conclave. She is a Radcliffe student.

Socially speaking, the Q'ettes went all out as hostesses for their visiting sisters, with Mrs. Agatha Roberson, wife of the Grand Marshal Charles S. Roberson, as president.

Alpha Wives were "at home" to Omega Wives, a coffee hour, an interfraternal dance at Sym-



phony Ballroom and a founders banquet and dinner dance at the Statler, highlighted the week, with a "meet your date" and pre-conclave smoker on the list.

#### VISITING DELEGATES

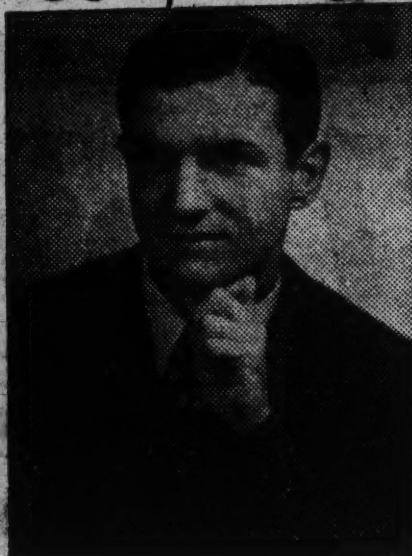
Listed among the many visiting delegates were: Neil Cooper, George D. Crosson, A. S. Drew, D. Donald Adams, Wendell P. Allston, Richard Gary, Clarence Harris, Chester H. F. Jones, Dr. Scott McKnight, Roland K. Fortune, Herbert Freeman, Mifflin T. Gibbs, Bertrand W. Green, Neslie D. Gunthron, Herbert L. Hardy, Herbert T. Hardy and Everett Nath Hargett, all of New York. From Washington, D. C., came Floyd Kennedy, Lawrence A. Oxley, Lester A. Gaynor, Charles I. Bryant, Everett W. Carter and Thurman Dodson. From Philadelphia came Fred Hudson Gaskins, Roth Darrell Gordon, John W. Akery Jr., Morton Brooks, Jason Calhoun, Charles Carrington and Lorenzo Douglas. Alabama sent Dr. George C. Branche Sr., Dr. John B. Garrett Sr., Fred D. Gray, Dr. A. W. West and Joseph T. Brooks. . . . New Jersey delegates were Glenn Chappelle and Sherwood Brown. From Texas, Dr. W. L. Johnson and Orlan Loving; A. T. Spaulding of Durham, N. C.; Dr. Robert L. Gill and James H. Harrison of Baltimore; Leroy Thomas of Omaha, Neb.; Otis Thompson, St. Louis, Mo.; V. O. White, Shreveport, La.; James N. Young, Detroit; Leonard Holland, Columbus, Ohio; I. W. Howell, Parris, Tenn.; E. H. Hunter, Little Rock, Ark.; Hardiman Emmett of Indianapolis, Ind.; W. C. Erwin, Augusta, Ga.; Dexter D. Eure of Fort Bragg, N. C.; W. C. Falkner, Greensboro, N. C.; Albion Ferrell of Westchester, Pa.; Marcus Foster, Darby, Pa.; James A. Franklin, Chicago; Albert Gamble, Cleveland; Leroy B. Garner II, Oakville, Conn.; James Gill, Norfolk, Va.; Lonnie Gorham Jr., Richmond, Va.; Ira Graham, Baton Rouge, La.; Hansel Hall Gary of Indiana; Dr. Simmons C. Hamilton of Chicago; J. C. Hardcastle, Dover, Del.; Robert Harper, Indiana; James A. Harris, Pine Bluffs, Ark.; Cleon Harvey, Providence, R. I.; Sumner Hempill, Nashville, Tenn.; Clarence Guizene, Franklin, La.; Grayson W. Jones, Indiana; Rhomas E. Kee, Raleigh, N. C.; James E. Keyes Sr., New Haven, Conn.; John Lancaster, Bridgeport, Conn.; Jesse H. Lawrence, Louisville, Ky.; A. G. Macklin, Petersburg, Va.; Dr. Ceasar L. Marshall, Bluefield, W. Va.; John W. Martin, Birmingham, Ala.; Obie Masingale, Baton Rouge, La.; Harvey V. McDaniels, Denver, Col.; Joseph Moody, Hartford, Conn.; Stanley S. Morris Jr., Louisville, Ky.; Isham Newton, Durham, N. C.; T. B. O'Daniel, Fort Valley, Ga.; John Parnell, Virginia State; Harry T. Penn, Roanoke, Va.; Walter C. Pinkston, Miami, Fla.; Dr. E. T. Robinson, Los Angeles, Calif.; Vincent Saunders, St. Louis, Mo.; Lloyd G. Singletary, Columbus, Ohio; John Carte, Detroit; C. J. Catalan, New Haven, Conn.; G. W. Chavis, Wadesboro, N. C.; J. P. Chesson, Norfolk, Va.; Dr. D. L. Claiborne, Chicago; John Clark, Hartford, Conn.; Robert Coleman, Morton, Pa.; E. L. Collins, Spartanburg, S. C.; Herman G. Cooke, Hampton, Va.; E. F. Corbett, Norfolk, Va.; E. A. Corbin, Bolton, N. C.; Harold Crawford, Orangeburg, S. C.; Joseph Daluz, New Bedford, Mass.; W. H. Day, New York; Isaac Deas, New Haven, Conn.; Thomas M. Dent, Oakland, Calif.; Richard Deveaux Jr., Miami, Fla.; Clyde R. Dillard, Roanoke, Va.; John Carter Diamond Jr., Hampton, Va.; Edward Dimond, Providence, R. I.; Dewey M. Duckett, Rock Hill, S. C.; Edward James Dumas, Cleveland, Ohio; Robert T. Amos, Maryland; Mark Andrews, Portsmouth, Va.; Theodore F. Arrington, Brooklyn; J. A. Atkins, Winston-Salem, N. C.; L. W. Beasley, Nashville, Tenn.; Reginald E. Benn, Dover, Del.; J. C. Belton, Charlotte, N. C.; Jesse Blayton Sr., Atlanta, Ga.; J. H. Bohannon, Atlanta, Ga.; Ernest R. Bradford, Hartsville, S. C.; Jesse Bright and William T. Bright, New Haven, Conn.; William A. Brower, Toledo, Ohio; Royal J. Browning, Roxboro, N. C.; Nathaniel Burrell, Brooklyn; Dargan J. Burns, Sumpter, S. C.; John L. Butler, Brooklyn; Eugene C. Can-

nady, Cincinnati; Robert M. Carney, Steubenville, Ohio, and Westerfelt Taylor, New York.

## Tops in Omega Essay Contest



MARY JANE CRUTCHER  
... first prize winner



KENNETH THOMPSON JR.  
... wins second prize



MARGARET L. BRATCHER  
... she placed third

**Omega Winners** Winners of the three top prizes in the national essay contest sponsored by the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity are these three bright and ambitious youngsters. First prize of \$125 went to Mary Jane Crutcher, 18, an honor student in the senior class at Council

Training School, Normal, Ala. Second prize of \$75 was won by Kenneth Thompson Jr., prominent young Methodist church worker of Evanston, Ill., and third prize of \$50 went to Margaret L. Bratcher, senior at Washington High School, Reidsville, N. C.

## Auditorium Officials Cancel Omega Dance Reservations

Two Atlanta organizations with Negro membership have had their reservations for the Sky Room at the Municipal Auditorium cancelled it was alleged. The local graduate chapter of the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity and the Topnotchers Club have both been notified by the management that they could not have their dances at the times they had planned, members reported.

The Topnotchers Club, according to its president, Miss Sybil Allen, has had its reservation in and paid for since February. Their dance was to have been given on Friday, May 25. They were not officially informed that they could not have their dance until May 23.

The fraternal organization had its reservation in and paid for on April 17. Their dance was to have been given on May 30 it was revealed. A special session of the City Council met, Monday night with the organization's dance date as one of the items on its agenda. The Council ruled that the management of the Municipal Auditorium, H. H. Niebreugger, be directed to "take what action it deems advisable on a demand that the Omega Psi Phi Negro Frater-

nity be refunded the amount paid for the Sky Room at the Auditorium for May 30 so that the graduates of Roosevelt High School may hold a dance there in connection with graduation exercises."

Although there was no such formal directive in connection with the Topnotchers Club, it was stated that they were being denied their reservation in favor of a Ben Hill School.

Mention was also made of PTA activity at both schools protesting Negro organizations and white students occupying the Auditorium

be made to support or destroy this report.

Neither group made a definite statement as to what recourse was possible or contemplated. It was established that a clause in the contract permitted the auditorium to rescind the reservation.

The Topnotchers were to celebrate their seventh anniversary-the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity was to give its 31st annual dance. Neither organization thinks it possible to carry out the program as originally planned in view of the recent developments.

Through its president, Miss Allen, the Topnotchers Club would like to announce to all holders of invitations that the affair has been cancelled because of circumstances beyond its immediate control.

## LeFlore Wins Omega Award

MOBILE, Ala. — John L. LeFlore, NAACP official and Chicago Defender correspondent, was presented a plaque after being chosen "the most outstanding citizen of the year" by Omega Psi Phi fraternity last week during its seventh district meet here.

Alpha Chapter, the host, also presented a plaque to Dr. W. L. Russell, selected the "Omega man of the year."

at the same time. In both cases, according to one participant, the schools were offered Taft Hall but refused to accept it if there were to be Negroes present in the building.

Meanwhile, both of the Negro organizations are "out of pocket" to the extent of expenses for invitations, favors and orchestra commitments. According to one of the two groups, according to the contract, they are legally bound to pay the orchestra its price even though that orchestra did not actually perform.

At any rate, the clubs concerned say they have both been subject to considerable expense in planning for their dances which were cancelled less than two weeks before the affair was to occur. In the case of the Topnotchers Club, the official notification came two days before the scheduled affair.

There was also an unsupported rumor that a local Negro High School was denied use of the Sky Room facilities because the same date was desired by the Decatur High School. Contacts could not



Fraternity to Give \$200

## Omegas Aid Ward's Fight to Enter Univ.

ATLANTA—Omega Psi Phi Fraternity's National Social Action Committee headed by Willard S. Townsend of Chicago, is slated to make a \$200 contribution to the "Horace Ward Scholarship Fund" at special ceremonies at Atlanta University here Aug. 9.

Mr. Townsend, president of the United Transport Service Employees, CIO and national vice president of the NAACP announced in Chicago that Emory O. Jackson, of Birmingham, chairman of the fraternity's seventh district social action committee activities would make the presentation.

Ward, an honor graduate of Morehouse College and Atlanta University, is seeking admission to the law school of the University of Georgia. NAACP lawyers are currently shaping legal strategy designed to win his admission.

Georgia has threatened to cut off funds of any school which permits the admission of any Negro. More thoughtful non-political leaders have sought to shame the political leaders away from such an ill-considered position.

Dr. William M. Boyd, president of the Georgia State Conference of NAACP branches and Atlanta University professor, is serving as chairman of the "Horace Ward Fund." He is also a member of the Seventh District Social Action Committee Activities.

During Achievement week the fraternity will select the outstanding citizen of the year and the Omega man of the year to whom plaques will be presented at the Grand conclave in Miami.

Theme for the contest is "Securing World Peace by Strengthening Democracy." First prize, \$125, second prize, \$75, and third prize, \$50. The Contest is approved by the National Education Association.

## Omegas Set Achievement Competition

WASHINGTON—John F. Potts, director of the National Achievement Week project of Omega Psi Phi fraternity announced last week that the 222 chapters of the fraternity are making plans to celebrate National Achievement week November 11-17.

The annual National high school



**WINS OMEGA AWARD** — J. L. Wheeler (left) receives from J. B. Blayton, Sr., (right) the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Award for the service he has rendered to the community. In his acceptance speech, 82 year old retired vice president and director of the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company said: "Through our actions, we should be shining examples for our children." Standing at center in the photo is W. C. Gaines, newly-elected president. (Photo by Adair)

## OMEGAS TO OBSERVE ACHIEVEMENT WEEK

WASHINGTON—(ANP) — National Achievement Week will be celebrated here by the Phi fraternity.

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Nov-ember 11-17, it was announced this week by Dr. Matthew J. Whitehead.

The celebration gets under way on Armistice day with a broadcast over the "American's All" radio program. Other highlights include a public program at Andrew Rankin Memorial Chapel at Howard University and a closed banquet at Baldwin Hall. The banquet will honor the founders of Omega Psi Phi.

The fraternity has a membership of more than 15,000 men. It was founded at Howard University in 1911 by several college professors in company with the late Dr. Ernest E. Just, eminent biologist. Its membership includes some of America's outstanding citizens. The living founders to be honor-

ed at the banquet are the Rev. Edgar Love, Dr. Oscar Cooper and Prof. Coleman.



# Expect 1,000 Omegas At Miami Conclave

WASHINGTON, D. C. — One thousand Omegas are expected to gather in Miami, Dec. 27-30 for the 40th anniversary celebration of the fraternity. It will be the 38th grand conclave of the order.

Highlight of the four-day meet will be a two-day excursion to Havana, Cuba, and attendance at the Orange Bowl Classic in Miami on New Year's Day. Headquarters will be at the Booker T. Washington high school.

The theme of the conclave will be "Securing World Peace by Strengthening Democracy." Speakers will include Doctor Benjamin Mays, Jesse O. Thomas, Information Specialist, OPS, James C. Evans, Civilian Aide to the Secretary of Defense, George Weaver, Reconstruction Finance Corporation, and M. S. Hendrick, National Education Association.

Three of the founders who will be present will be honored at the

Annual Founders Day Banquet in the Key Municipal Auditorium. They are Drs. Oscar Cooper, Edgar Love, and Frank Coleman.

Sigma Alpha is host chapter for the conclave with Dr. G. W. Hawkins, and Walter C. Pinkston, acting as Grand Marshall.



## Dr. C. V. Troup To Edit Sigma's Crescent

*John*  
President of Fort Valley  
State College, Recently  
Named.

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Brooklyn, N. Y.—Dr. C. V. Troup, President of Fort Valley State College, Fort Valley, Ga., has just been named Editor of "The Crescent," official organ of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity. This appointment was made by Dr. Felix J. Brown of Richmond, National President and the new Editor succeeds Dr. L. D. Reddick, Atlanta University Librarian who is devoting his time to the publication of the History of the Fraternity in addition to other school duties.

*Madeline*  
Dr. Troup, famed as an educator, finished Morris Brown College and in addition received his M. A. from Atlanta University, his Ph. D. from Ohio State. His articles have been published in professional journals and his poems in magazines and anthologies, and he brings to this new post a wealth of community service and activity in the fraternity. Having previously been the Editor of "The Crescent," he holds the Sigma Distinguished Service Key and lives at the College at Fort Valley, Ga.

Members of the General Board of Phi Beta Sigma will meet in Richmond, Va., beginning with sessions at the College Inn on the campus of Va. Union University, this Saturday, Feb. 10, at 10 a. m. In addition to the National President, those expected to attend will be: Atty. Joseph A. Bailey, New York City, vice president; William E. Doar, Jr., Brooklyn, executive secretary; Dr. R. A. Billings, Atlanta, Treas.; Rev. Moses Wright, Jr., vice president; R. A. Hester, Dallas, director of Better Business; John F. Lewis, Winston-Salem, Director of Education; Dr. George D. Flemmings, Ft. Worth, Director of Social Action and J. Benjamin Horton, National Director of Public Relations; Regional Directors who are expected to attend the Board Meeting are: Woodrow W. Carter, New York City, Eastern; Richard A. Davis, Memphis; Central; George D. Sutton, Jr., Fort Worth, Lone Star;

James A. Grant, Detroit, Northern; J. Milton Shuler, Orangeburg, S. C., Southeastern; C. G. Christian, Sr., Southern; Russell S. Steadon, Seattle, Northwestern; Harvey M. Osborn, San Francisco, Western.

The implementation of Sigma's Programs of Social Action, Bigger and Better Business and Scholarship and Education will be main topics to be clarified at the meeting.

## Sigmas Make Award To Boston Alderman

BOSTON, Mass.—(ANP)—The Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity this week awarded a Social Action Achievement Award to Attorney Lawrence H. Gans, who was rightfully declared the city councillor from Ward 9, by the Supreme Court of Massachusetts after a 22-month court battle.



# Phi Beta Sigmas End 36th Conclave

By J. BENJAMIN HORTON JR.

NEW YORK CITY, N. Y. — The curtain came down on the 36th annual conclave of Phi Beta Sigma fraternity, meeting in New York City, Dec. 27-30 in a maze of triumph. It was the most momentous convention ever held by this group. The theme of the conclave was "Total Democracy-Government-Labor-Industry."

Addressing the opening session, Elmer A. Henderson, national director of the American Council on Human Rights, briefly reviewed the activities of ACHR and stated among other things that "our major activities in Congress for next year will be to seek changes in archaic rules having prevented passage of legislation for the best interests of all; for a revision of the draft bill; for the government housing program to be carried out in a democratic manner against ghetto-like buildings." Henderson called for "fuller cooperation of fraternities and sororities to achieve human rights."

Hon. Justice Harold A. Stevens, recently elected to the Court of General Sessions of New York City and a Sigma man, was general chairman of the public meeting at which Lester Granger of the National Urban League and Matthew Radom of the Standard Oil company of New Jersey spoke in a panel covering the conclave theme "Total Democracy-Government-Labor-Industry." Many additional speakers of national importance spoke on various programs of the conclave.

## Adopt Resolutions

Resolutions adopted by the conclave were: (1) "That the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity go on record as endorsing the enactment of the cloture rules in the Senate of the United States so as to speedily enact the civil rights legislation. (2) That Phi Beta Sigma fraternity endorses the passage of a Fair Employment Act similar to that in existence during World War II, so that all employment will not discriminate in the hiring or upgrading on the basis of race, religion, color or national origin. (3) That the

fraternity go on record as endorsing the abolition of discrimination in the Federal Housing Program. (4) That we endorse the drive of the NAACP for funds by taking out a Life Membership. Be it further resolved that Phi Beta Sigma go on record as endorsing definite action on the abolition of segregation in the Armed Forces. (5) That Phi Beta Sigma fraternity call upon the Congress of the United States to pass the Federal Aid to Education bill with safeguards insuring that the funds will be distributed equitably among the races and will not be used to support

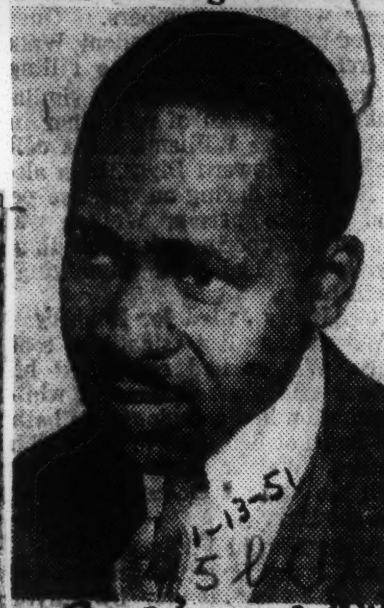
or extend the system of segregated education in the South. (6) Further, that our fraternity endorse the appointment of more Negro people to Federal service."

## Elect Officers

The fraternity elected the following officers for 1951: Dr. Felix J. Brown, national president; Atty. Joseph Bailey, national vice president; Dr. R. A. Billings, national treasurer; Dr. G. D. Fleming, national director of social action; James A. Jackson, national business counsellor; J. Benjamin Horton Jr., national director of public relations; R. A. Hester, national director of "Bigger and Better Business;" Dr. John F. Lewis, national director of education; Moses Wright, national junior vice president and Dr. L. D. Reddick, editor of the Crescent.

The conclave's Annual Ball was Friday, Dec. 29 at Manhattan Center. The fraternity will hold its 1951 annual conclave in Birmingham, Alabama, Dec. 27-28-29.

## National Sigma Head



Dr. Felix J. Brown, Richmond, Va., physician and specialist in respiratory diseases, was elected national president of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity during its annual conclave held in Hotel Theresa, NYC, national headquarters of the fraternity. Dr. Brown, who has been in the office of vice-president for three years, succeeds Dr. R. O. Johnson of Atlanta, president of the fraternity for the same period.

## Sigmas Open New Chapter In Africa

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — Phi Beta Sigma fraternity has granted a charter to a Upsilon Sigma chapter in Monrovia, Africa, it was announced this week by William E. Deane, Jr., national executive secretary.

The African chapter has been under consideration for more than a year as the fraternity studied plans for expansion. Leo M. Bryant, a charter member of the new chapter, flew to New York last week to attend the 36th annual conclave of the fraternity.

Beta Upsilon Sigma is a graduate chapter composed of several Sigma men who were inducted in the United States, but who have moved to Africa to engage in professional and business pursuits.

## Phi Beta Sigmas Rule Out Rough Stuff at Initiation

### BALTIMORE

Zeta Sigma Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma went on record as being opposed to roughness at initiations when they held a session with Dr. G. Franklin Phillips, Thursday. New members should be inducted in services which are impressive and intelligent, the members said.

### Continue in Council

Following reports of delegates to the conclave in New York, the chapter endorsed the action of the fraternity in continuing membership in the American Council on Human Rights, in taking a life membership in the NAACP and increasing the scholarship fund.

### The delegation to the conclave,

headed by Dr. Robert J. Hill, included G. Sumner White, U. Theodore Hayes, attorney; Dr. G. Franklin Phillips, Laurence Middleton and John W. Woodhouse.

A letter of commendation was sent to a member, Dr. Elmer A. Henderson, who retires as assistant superintendent of schools this month. William T. Buckner, attorney, who has been ill for some time will be carried on the chapter roll as an active member. Mr. Buckner is a charter member of the fraternity.

### Celebration Planned

The chapter also discussed plans for the celebration of Founder's Day in April, and John W. Woodhouse was named chairman of the committee to arrange the affair.

### Attending the meeting were:

Irving Bevans, William Dorsey, Dr. Lawrence Middleton, Dr. Douglass Camper, U. Theodore Hayes attorney, the Rev. W. Lyndsai Pitts, Leo Wood;

Alfred A. Dixon, Dr. G. Franklin Phillips, the Rev. G. Dewey Robinson, Leroy Gibson, William Russell, G. Sumner Whyte, John Tilghman and Ernest Wilkerson.





**RECEIVE LIFE MEMBERSHIPS IN PHI BETA SIGMA.**—Life membership certificates in the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity were awarded the following members at the 36th annual conclave held recently in New York. Left to right: J. L. Wolfe of Atlanta; C. P. Hayes of Richmond; former National President Dr. R. O. Johnson of Atlanta; James A. "Billboard" Jackson of New York; Dr. Felix J. Brown, National President, Richmond, Va.; William

E. Doar Jr., National Executive Secretary, Brooklyn, N. Y., and Attorney Hutson L. Lovell of Brooklyn, N. Y., at the 36th Annual Conclave of the national fraternity convening in New York City, Dec. 27-30, 1950.

Other brothers to receive the certificates were: R. L. Chamberlain; A. Langston Taylor; H. Alexander Howard of Los Angeles; Dr. George Hightower; Edward Jemson and Leonard F. Morse.



**PHI BETA SIGMA FORMS CHAPTER IN LIBERIA.**—A highlight of the 36th annual conclave of the Phi Beta Sigma fraternity, meeting in New York City Dec. 27-30, was the presentation of the charter for the establishment of Beta Upsilon Sigma chapter in Monrovia, Liberia. The picture shows Leo Bryant who flew in for the conclave from Liberia, be-

ing presented the chapter's charter by William E. Doar Jr., national executive secretary. Joseph A. Bailey, general convocate chairman and newly-elected national vice president, and the Reverend Donald Harrington of the Community church of New York City, who addressed the convention are shown looking on.



## 2 Alabamians Join Fraternity

Phi Beta Sigma has added to its ranks two distinguished brothers, Samuel S. Oliver and Isaac Hathaway.

Brother Oliver a former postal carrier is now instructor at Payne College, Birmingham, Ala. He has completed work for the master's degree and has done work toward the doctor's degree.

Professor Hathaway is a national figure and at present is head of the department of ceramics at Alabama State College for Negroes. Brother Hathaway made the first bust of the great Negro abolitionist, Frederick Douglass. Other outstanding works are masks of Booker T. Washington, George W. Carver, and Bishop Richard Allen. His most recent outstanding creation is the famous half dollar with the head of the great educator Booker T. Washington on it.

In February the fraternity had the honor of entertaining at a smoker former U. S. Congressman and ex-president of Phi Beta Sigma, Arthur W. Mitchell at the home of Brother Edgar E. Evans. Brother Mitchell spoke very strongly on bigger and better business and human rights. It was truly a treat to all who were privileged to hear him.

On Saturday night was held the second annual Sigma Zeta night, where the Sigmas entertained their sisters in a very gala social held at the Community Center. The social room was beautifully decorated with the fraternity colors, with the shields Phi Beta Sigma and Zeta Phi Beta prominently displayed. This social has become an annual must for Sigmas and Zetas.

## Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Lists Its Big Objectives For 17th Anniversary

Brooklyn, N. Y.—Celebrating its 17th year as Greek-letter pioneer in the field of Social Action with a well-defined program seeking the improvement of the general well-being of minority groups, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity through its 177 chapters scattered from West Africa to the West coast of the United States Service Chapter, has marked the month of October as the time for official commemoration of the Fraternity's efforts for this year. The Sigma Social Action Program calls for:—National and State Anti-Lynch legislation; Equality of wages and working conditions for minority groups; Elimination of racial discrimination and segregation in federal, state, municipal and county employment; Equality of educational opportunities; abolition of Jim Crow laws; Full citizenship rights for all citizens.

Dr. George D. Flemmings, prominent Fort Worth, Texas dentist, is National Director of Social Action for the fraternity. He is a member of the National Boards of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and the American Council for Human Rights. Dr. Flemmings states that during October the Phi Beta Sigma Chapters will hold dances, dinners and other forms of public programs depending on locality at which time the Sigma Social Action Awards will be presented to the outstanding person in the various communities as well as to the top member of the Fraternity for their contributions toward the elimination of discrimination.

In both awards the judgment of the local chapters will be put on trial within the framework of the American heritage which envisions the free association of all citizens, and those inalienable rights which are held sacred in the Sigma principles of Social Action to ensure the fulfillment in fact of the philosophy which Americans advocate in principle.

Therefore, the very factor of the actual earning of the Social Action Award by the Community member will be a comparative thing. In its very nature, the Award in one city may be for a different accomplishment varying greatly from the accomplishment in another city. Similarity will only

be encountered when the dual purpose of the American Creed and the principles of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity are viewed. Nationwide accomplishments meriting the award may cover the entire field of the American life. This is the hope of the committee as is the fact of the second award to a Sigma Man being a must. Giving more than lip service to the Fraternity's Social Action Program, Sigma chapters plan to act first in advocating action in the communities. With this in mind, they remind themselves that the future of the nation rests upon the character, the vision, the high principles of the people. Democracy, brotherhood, human rights—these are practical expressions of the eternal worth of every child of God. With His guidance and help Sigma members hope to move forward toward a nobler social order in which there will be equal opportunity for all.

Assisting Dr. Flemmings in this program will be the various Regional Directors of Social Action as follows:

Eastern, A. A. Arnold, Boston, Mass.; Lone Star, A. P. Watson, Wiley College, Marshall, Texas; Northern, Lloyd V. Greenfield, Chicago, Ill.; Southeastern, Atty H. Wilson Gray, North Carolina College Durham, N. C.; Southern, Rev. B. F. Lewis, Montgomery, Ala.; Southwestern, Ocie Lee Smith, Little Rock, Arkansas; and, Western, Johnnie Thompson, Berkeley, California. Dr. Felix J. Brown of Richmond, Va.; is National President of Phi Beta Sigma and William E. Doar, Jr., of Brooklyn, N. Y., is National Executive Secretary.

## Phi Beta Sigmas Observe 17 Years Of Social Action

BROOKLYN — (ANP) — Phi Beta Sigma fraternity has named October as the time for celebrating its 17th year as a Greek-letter pioneer in the field of social action, it was announced last week.

The social action program attempts to improve the well-being of minority groups. Its program calls for:

“National and state anti-lynch legislation; equality of wages and working conditions; elimination of racial discrimination and segregation in federal, state, municipal, and county employment; equality of educational opportunities; abolition of Jim Crow laws, and full citizenship rights for all citizens.

Dr. George D. Flemmings, dentist of Fort Worth, Tex., is national director of social action for the fraternity.

Dr. Flemmings said that during October Phi Beta Sigma Chapters will hold dances, dinners, and other public programs.

At this time awards will be presented to outstanding persons in the community as well as to a top member of the fraternity for their contribution toward the elimination of discrimination.

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Dr. Felix J. Brown of Richmond, Va., is national president of Phi Beta Sigma and William E. Doar, Jr., of Brooklyn, N. Y., is national executive secretary.



# Phi Beta Sigma Celebrates 17th Year In Social Action

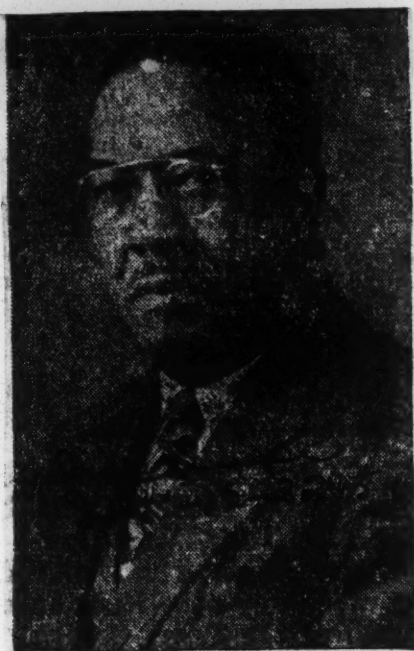
Fort Worth, Texas Celebrating its 17th year as a Greek-letter pioneer organization in the field of Social Action, with a well-defined program seeking improvement of the general well-being of minority groups; Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., through its 577 Chapters scattered from West Africa to the West Coast of the United States, and its military Service Chapters will assemble in Birmingham, Alabama December 27-29, commemorating the 37th Anniversary Conclave.

The Sigma Social Action program calls for National and State Anti-Lynch legislation, equality of wages and working conditions for minority groups. Elimination of racial discrimination and segregation in Federal and State, and municipal and county employment, equality of educational opportunities, and abolition of Jim-crow laws.

There is today an urgent need for citizens of the world; whose first loyalties are to humanity at large, to peace, decency, and justice to all. To this end we shall attain our goal of full equality and intergration in the main stream of American life.

The time has come when America must know that we are Americans too -- and that we must stand up to the realities of the

racial problem in America with boldness and unflinching as courage and as unyielding as "Ole Man River," we must keep rolling along.



DR. GEORGE D. FLEMMINGS, National Director of Social Action, Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., is planning the 37th Anniversary Conclave which will celebrate its 17th year as a pioneer Greek-letter organization in the field of Social Action.



# East Sider Made Into Ill. U. Frat



Frank T. Lyerson, 1601 Market avenue, East St. Louis, Ill., was initiated into the Pi Chapter of the Phi Delta Kappa Fraternity at the University of Illinois. Phi Delta Kappa is a national honor fraternity of professional men in education.

The requirements for membership are scholarship, professional achievement and personality. One becomes a member upon the recommendation of membership committee and at the suggestion of members of the Faculty of the College of Education.

Lyerson was born in St. Louis, Missouri and is a graduate of the St. Louis Public schools. He received the B. S. Degree from Lincoln university, Jefferson City, Missouri in 1936. After having taught in southeast Missouri for five years, he was inducted into the army July 1942.

He served six months and was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Coast Artillery Corps, Anti-Aircraft. He was promoted to captain in January 1946, while still serving in the Philippines. During his tour of duty, he served as commanding officer of several

units. On returning home, he served as commanding officer of a reserve unit for three years.

## U Of T Student Is Admitted To Educational Frat

SAN ANTONIO — C. Roy McGowan, graduate student at the University of Texas, has been honored with the first membership, for a Negro, in the University's history, in Phi Delta Kappa, professional education fraternity.

The membership was extended on the basis of excellence in scholarship and his contribution in the field of industrial education. Mr. McGowan is an instructor of mathematics and mechanical drawing at the Phyllis Wheatley high school here, and holds degrees from Prairie View A & M college and Iowa State college.

Phi Delta Kappa Fraternity



## Legal Fraternity Taps First Negro

BOSTON — Demetrius C. Newton was recently initiated into Phi Delta Phi, international legal fraternity, at Webster Inn, Boston University School of Law. The fraternity was founded in 1869.

Young Newton is the first Negro ever to be admitted to this fraternity. The occasion marks another milestone in collegiate integration of race students.

A member of the Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, he is president of Beta Alpha, graduate chapter in Boston. Newton is also a graduate of Wilberforce University, class of 1949, and is presently a second-year law student at Boston University.



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# Phi Epsilon Pi Fraternity

## FRATERNITY TO ADMIT NEGROES

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PHILADELPHIA. — Phi Epsilon Pi fraternity adopted a resolution here last week to drop racial barriers in its membership.

Meeting at a special convention, the action was announced by National President Louis D. Traurig, who read the resolution which says membership "shall not be denied to anyone because of his race, his color or his religious beliefs."

Traurig explained that adoption of the resolution clears the way for the University of Connecticut chapter to admit Alfred R. Rogers, a Negro student.

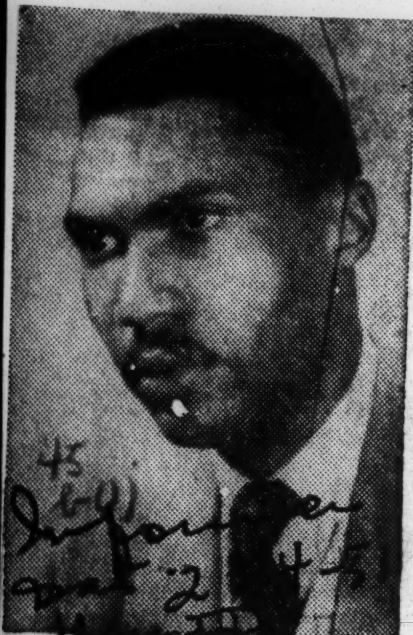
Rogers was pledged to the fraternity last fall and the national organization suspended the chapter.

The resolution noted that the fraternity "was founded on the principle of universal brotherhood."

Phi Epsilon Pi  
Epsilon Psi Chap. of 36 Coll.



SIGMA DELTA CHI, National Professional Journalism Fraternity



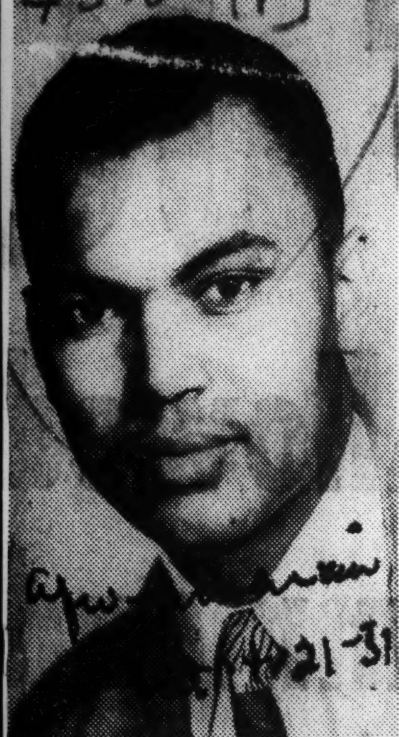
TALLAHASSEE — Charles J. Smith, III, Journalism instructor, will serve as director of the First Annual Florida A and M College Inter-Scholastic Press Workshop, March 1-2. He holds the Master of Arts degree in Journalism from the State University of Iowa. Smith is a member of Sigma Delta Chi, National Professional Journalism fraternity and Delta Phi Delta, National Negro Honorary Journalism society.



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Tau Epsilon Phi Fraternity

In Dartmouth Frat



Edward Wood, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Wood of Lexington, Va. and brother of Mrs. Fred S. Swann, Richmond was initiated into Epsilon Delta Chapter of Tau Epsilon Phi at Dartmouth in Hanover, N.H. recently, along with three white students. A graduate of Armstrong High School here, Wood is a sophomore at Dartmouth majoring in chemistry. He is here on spring vacation visiting his sister.



## Judge Higgins to Get Lewis Award

BOSTON—John Patrick Higgins, chief justice of the Massachusetts Superior Court, will receive the third annual William H. Lewis Memorial Award presented by the Iota chapter, Tau Epsilon Rho, Legal Fraternity of the Boston University School of Law, in Faneuil Hall, on Wednesday, at 8:30 p.m. *out, 4-7-51*

Each year since the death of William H. Lewis, noted colored Boston attorney, the award has been presented by the group to continue as a living testimonial to the ideal of opportunity and justice for which the distinguished jurist stood. *4-7-51*

In connection with the award the fraternity, an international, non-sectarian group, is undertaking the establishment of a Tau Epsilon Rho William H. Lewis Memorial Scholarship Fund to assist worthy and needy students without regard for race, creed or national origin, according to award chairman, Eugene H. Berman, Holyoke.



## Tenn. State Becomes First College With Drama Fraternity

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — (ANP)—Tennessee State College last week became the first Negro College with an approved chapter in Theta Alpha Phi, national honorary dramatic fraternity, according to Dr. Thomas E. Poag, head of the college's department of speech and drama.

This fraternity, with chapters in 54 white colleges, voted unanimously to accept the Nashville school as a full member.

At special induction ceremonies, representatives of the national organization installed the following local chapter officers:

Alfonso Sherman, East Orange, N. J., president; Miss Geraldine Paris, Cincinnati, vice president; Miss Madelyn E. Brewer, San Antonio, Texas, secretary; William Dury Cox, Nashville, treasurer; Alphonso Butts, Champaign, Ill., historian, and Dr. Poag, faculty advisor.

Charter members include:

President Walter S. Davis of the college; Benton A. Adams, Mrs. Millicent Jordan, Miss Frances E. Thompson, Miss Carolyn King, Robert J. Hudson, Mrs. Helyne D. Wilhoite, and W. V. Harper II, all of Nashville, and Eddie Ray Williams, Alexandria, La.

Dr. Lee Norvells, national president of Theta Alpha Phi and head of the department of speech and drama, University of Indiana, conducted the installation exercises. President Davis was made an honorary member. Dr. Norvelle presented him the local chapter's charter.

At the banquet following this program, Dr. Norvelle delivered the main address. He told the young thespians:

"Tennessee A. and M. College is the first Negro or white, to have been invited to petition for membership in Theta Alpha Phi. The invitation was based on a superior department of speech and drama, a superior program of productions and the achievements of Dr. Thomas E. Poag, and not on the sympathetic basis of being Negroes."



# Theta Alpha Phi Elects Tenn. State College To Full Membership

The Department of Speech and Drama at Tennessee A. and I State College was notified recently thru Dr. Thomas E. Poag, Head of the department, of its unanimous election to Theta Alpha Phi, National Honorary Dramatic Fraternity, by

thirty-four chapters found in white colleges and Universities both North and South. Tennessee A. and I. State College becomes the first Negro College to receive this significant honor and distinction. The members were initiated and the officers installed by Dr. Lee Norvelle, Head of the Dept. of Speech and Drama, University of Indiana; President of Theta Alpha Phi; and former President of the National Theatre Conference. President Walter S. Davis who was made an honorary member received the charter from Dr. Norvelle for the college.

The officers and charter members include Mr. Alfonso Sherman, East Orange, New Jersey, President; Miss Geraldine Paris, Cincinnati, Ohio, Vice-President; Miss Madelyn E. Brewer San Antonio, Texas, Secretary; Mr. William Dury Cox, Nashville, Tennessee; Treasurer; Mr. Alphonso Butts, Champaign Illinois, Historian; and Dr. Thomas E. Poag, Nashville, Tennessee, Advisor; other members; President Walter S. Davis, Nashville, Tennessee; Mr. Benton A. Adams, Nashville, Tennessee; Mrs. Millicent D. Jordan, Nashville, Tennessee; Miss Frances E. Thompson Nashville, Tennessee; Miss Carolyn King, Nashville, Tennessee; Miss Laura M. Averitte, Nashville, Tennessee; Mrs. Robert J. Hudson, Nashville, Tennessee; Mrs. Helyne D. Wilhite, Nashville, Tennessee; Mr. W. V. Harper II, Nashville, Tennessee; and Mr. Eddie Ray Williams, Alexandria, Louisiana.

A very elaborate banquet followed the initiation ceremony in the college cafeteria. The principal speaker was Dr. Lee Norvelle who pointed out vividly that "Tennessee A. and I. State College is the first college, Negro or White, to have been invited to petition for membership in Theta Alpha Phi. The invitation was based on a superior department of Speech and Drama, a superior program of productions, the achievements of Dr. Thomas E. Poag, and not on the sympathetic

basis of being Negroes. Tennessee State College offers the Bachelor of Arts, the Bachelor of Science, the Master of Arts, and the master Master of Science degrees in Speech and Drama. Telegrams and letters of congratulations were received from member chapters.



# Interracial Sorority

## Set Up In Chicago

Alpha Gamma Chi, originally an all-white sorority with national headquarters in Loveland, Colorado, has broken precedent by organizing Negro chapters in Denver, Colo. and most recently in Chicago.

Last Sunday the new YMCA at 50th and Indiana was the scene of a beautiful candlelight initiation ceremony performed for the first group of members of Alpha Charter Chapter, Alpha Gamma Chi.

The bevy of hand-picked young women primarily from the business world are Mary Lou Jackson, president, Mozell Gay, vice president, Rosa Lee Gordon, corresponding secretary, Juanita Jackson, recording secretary.

Luella Hulon is treasurer; Mattie Tanner, city coordinator; Marjorie Joyce, educational director.

Other members are Artilla King, Kay Jeffries, Ray Springer, Julia Hart, and Cleo Fleming.

The chapter is to meet twice monthly and is social, educational and charitable.

## New Pilots Of Delta Sorority Installed

NEW YORK — Dr. Irmah L. Moore, B. D. installed the new officers of Tau Gamma Delta

Sorority at the sorority's sixth annual Boule held here recently. Formerly the Phi Gamma Delta sorority, the newly named Tau Gamma Deltas sponsored the boule at the 137th Street YMCA and the Theresa Hotel.

The new officers are Mary Hall of Detroit, Mich., supreme basileus; Juanita Parnell of Detroit, anti-basileus; Geneva Williams of New York, second anti-basileus; Dru-silla Lee of New York, supreme grammateus; Charlye Diggs of Detroit, anti-grammateus and Lois Brown of Indianapolis, Ind., supreme epistaleus.

Joanella Williams of Detroit was elected financial secretary; Arlace Rammage of Detroit, corresponding secretary; Robertine Wells of Indianapolis, Ind., assistant corresponding secretary; Corine Dean of Detroit, editor-in-chief; Johnnie Davis of Detroit, historian and Emma Pitts of Detroit, keeper of pins.

Members of the board of directors are Olga Gross of Pasadena, Calif., Ollie Brown of Detroit, Mich. and Bertha Smith of Indiana-

polis, Ind. The seventh annual Boule will convene in Indianapolis in October, 1952.



## AKA's Hold Closed Session on African Affairs



Members of Tau Omega chapter (graduate) of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, in New York, met in closed session with Dr. Ralph Bunche, director of Trusteeship of the United Nations, last week. Soror Anne Boyd (left) basileus, and Florence Thomas, right, chairman of the Committee on United Nations Affairs for the Sorority were particularly concerned with the channels which might be employed in cooperation with U.N. for bringing African women scholars to America under the sponsorship of the Committee. Looking on (rear left to right; are Sorors Fannie Byrd, Jeanette Boddie, Melva Price, Ruth Handy, Lucille Simms and Hilda Allen, public school teachers and specialists in human relations. Dr. Bunche (center) warned the group that full and unstinted financial resources spread over a small area and carried through on a total basis as well as an informed laity on colonial affairs was paramount. (A. Hansen Photo).



# Flock of Socialties Will Spark AKA Boule

## BALTIMORE

Sorors of Epsilon Omega chapter put their heads together, this week, and came up with a flock of plans that will make Alpha Kappa Alpha's Boule, here, Christmas, a top flight social gathering.

The boule will be based on the campus of Morgan State College, and so far the agenda calls for an open and a closed dance, an informal party, a sight-seeing tour, a public meeting, a reception and a banquet.

The general chairman is Mildred Seaborne, basileus of Epsilon Omega. Edna O. Gray, past grand basileus, is assistant general chairman.

Members of the planning committee include:

Flossie Dedmond, Rosalind Allen, Erma Davis, Vivian Cook, Laura Jones, Florence Dennis, Alm. Barker, Sarah Sampson, Dellaphine Warrington;

Lila Barnum, Anita Wheatley, Vernice Reynolds, Elizabeth Allen, Beatrice Myers, Sarah Rayne, Dolly Walker, Mable Frisby, Agnes Patterson and Beatrice Butler.

Alpha Delta chapter was represented by Carolyn Smith and Marian Holsey.

## DR. WOOLRIDGE HONOREE

As a culmination of "Finer Womanhood Week," Alpha Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority invited the town's best known women to a reception to meet National Grand Basileus Nancy B. Woolridge.

The reception which was quite a swanky affair was held at Soror Lillian Webb's Caroline Street home.

Katharine O. Johnson and Lilyan M. Nichols poured delicious punch and other sippables while Dr. Woolridge, who was attractively attired in black satin, charmed the many guests.

Sorors present were: Mae Fortune, basileus; Lillian Webb, Nellie Buchanan, Marion Johnson, Thelma Ashe, Lilyan M. Nichols, Althea Cornish, Audrey Davis, Mary J. Taylor, Alice Hall;

Ruth Russell, Florence Purviance, Carrie Scott, Clarrisa Jenkins, Emma Duvall, Catherine Banks, Beatrice Hall, Catherine Mayo;

Doris Howell, Ethel Payne, Lil-

lie Ross, Katharine O. Johnson, and Mary Hurt.

Their guests included:

Daisy Jones, Juanita Kelson, Romaine Jones, Elizabeth Henderson, Ida Washington, Viola Jackson, Hermione Wharton, Gladys Derry, Alice Sykes, Juanita Mitchell, Lillie Jackson, Mabel Frisby;

Vivian Alleyne, Addie Donnell,

Mildred Seaborne, Ethel Hueles, Willa Winston, Verda Welcome, Marion Croxton, Melissa Perdue, Inez Duffin, Etta Phifer;

Anna Bond, Mary Jones, Vernice Wynn, Edna Brown, Mrs. Clarke Davis, Olivia Dixon, Naomi Hardy, Dellaphine Warrington, Lila Barnum, Pauline McGuinn;

Cornelia Smith, Lillian Dabney, Edna O. Gray, Mae Allen, Lillian Parrott, Vashti Murphy, Alice Arington, Mrs. Bernard Harris, Irma Rawlings, Lula Patterson, Mrs. Matthew Baxter, G. L. Imes, Hilda Higgins, Edith Myers, Ida Smith, Ruth Shipley, Sadie Murphy, Delores Hunt, Louise Dennis;

Sarah Sampson, Virgie Morris, Vivian Purviance, Peggy James, Elizabeth Matthews, and Florence Dennis.

## CHI DELTA MUS HOST

Chi Delta Mus (medical fraternity) gave their "girls" a party on Friday night, at the Adams Clubroom...and quite a party it was.

They garnered the Three B's and a Honey and Robert L. Jackson, accordionist, for entertainment; had Chuck Richards as M.C., and provided dancing, cards and dinner.

During the evening Dr. James Hawkins, president of the chapter, presented a banner to the auxiliary. Mrs. Thelma Bahdo received the gift for her group.

Attending were:

Doctors and Mesdames George Lee, Ralph Reckling, George Adams, Bernard Christmas, Edward McDaniel, James Hawkins, Thomas Harris, Townsend Anderson, Frank Sykes;

Doctors and Mesdames Maurice Doles, Ralph Young, Charles Watts, and Charles Woodland; Mesdames Elizabeth Crudup and Mrs. Vashti Christmas and Doctors Isaac Young and Bertram Estwick.

## LINKS MEET

The Baltimore chapter of

Links met with Xaveria McDonald, Saturday, welcomed their new officers (Theresa Waters, president; Lillian Berry, vice; Catherine Adams, secretary; and Helen Burwell, treasurer); wrote a fat check as second contribution to the Martin Dyer scholarship fund, and voted no-end of thanks to friends who made the latter possible through patronage of their recent cocktail party.

The lovely Morgan Park home of the George Spauldings was bubbling with gaiety last week end when Gaynell Spaulding and Madge Hibler entertained the Morgan Bridgettes. — LULU JONES GARRETT.

# Southeastern Regional Meet Of AKA At Tuskegee April 20

## BY MRS. LUCILE M. SCOTT

Extensive plans are being formulated to entertain the delegates to the conference on April 20-21 by Beta Xi Omega and Gamma Kappa chapters when they meet it Tuskegee Institute. The theme of the conference is "Mobilization For Human Security."

This is the theme chosen by members of the directorate in keeping with the trend of the time and world wide problems facing us today.

Mamye E. Williams, Southeastern Regional director is making an urgent appeal that all chapters send at least one delegate to the meeting and also asking that the chapter representative be prepared to pay tribute to any Soror in her chapter who passed since the last conference.

Thursday night, April 19, the chapters have planned a "Get Acquainted Party" for the delegates and escorts at the home of Mrs. Ada Peters.

The conference will open officially Friday morning, April 20, at 10 a. m., with the basileus and advisors Council, 1 P. M. will feature the graduate and undergraduate work shops. The public meeting is scheduled for Friday night at 7:30 p. m., at which time the Supreme Basileus will be the principal speaker. The formal dance for the Sorors will be given at 10 o'clock the same night.

Saturday, April 21, the morning session will begin at 8:45 with a business session; 11:45, pilgrimage to the B. T. Washington Monument and conference picture; 1 p. m., undergraduate round-up; 1:30, Health Symposium featuring outstanding health specialists and 3:30, tour of interesting places. The banquet will be given Saturday night. The meeting closes on Sunday, April 22 with the delegates attending special church service at the Tuskegee Chapel.

Among the national officers in attendance will be: Laura T. Lovelace, supreme basileus; Arnetta G. Wallace, anti-basileus; Ida L. Scott, undergraduate program director; Lucile M. Scott, Editor-in-Chief, Ivy Leaf; and Mamye E. Williams, Southeast regional, director, Louise Trigg, area health Consultant and member of the hostess Chapter and

Mr. Charles Synum, director of Interracial Activities National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis will also be present.

A special service to honor Founders is being planned and it is hoped that Mrs. Marie Woolfolk Taylor, one of the founders will be present. The conference wishes to have her share with us from her wealth of knowledge.

Lets meet in Tuskegee and make this 19th Regional Conference the most outstanding in our history and really gear our lives to conform with the theme "Mobilization For Human Security."



# Members Of U. N. Meet With AKA's



*Amster Dam News*  
SENATOR JANE VIALLE of France (standing) addressed the recent United Nations meeting of Tau Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority at Sara Delano Roosevelt House. At her left are Miss Florence Lee Thomas and Miss Geantine

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Hefting of Holland; on her right Mrs. Bertha Hamerman of Hadassah, Mrs. Estelle Massey, Mrs. Nebuwa Nwozo-Ojji of Nigeria, Miss Melva Price, and Mrs. Louise McDonald, basileus of Tau Omega.

Staff photo by Dummett

## Six Authorities Present World Problems To Sorors

Present-day participation of women in public life—with emphasis on international and national government agencies, civic interests and projects dealing with health, education and family life—was the theme of a frank discussion by six authorities on last Saturday when Tau Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority sponsored its annual United Nations meeting at Sara Delano Roosevelt House, 49 East 65th St.

The panel discussions were Senator Jane Vialle, of Paris, France, and member of the United Nations Committee on Slavery; Maria Z. N. Witteveen, permanent U. N. delegate from The Netherlands; Mme. Nebuwa Nwozo-Ojji, of Nigeria, Africa, now a student at Hunter College; Miss Geantine Hefting, of Holland; Mrs. Louise H. McDonald, basileus of Tau Omega Chapter, and Miss Florence Lee Thomas, chairman of the chapter's United Nations committee, made pleas for greater interest in international human relations.

Serving with Miss Thomas on the United Nations committee were Mesdames Bertha Willey Nickens, Jeanette Boddie, Hilda S. Allen, Mary Brogden, Ann Boyd, Cora Gary Illidge, Ruth Logan Robert, Lucille Simms, Thelma Berlack Boozer; Misses Melva L. Price and Lucile Spence.

Tau Omega Chapter, one of the graduate units in the Greater New York area, has a roster of 250 members. More than a hundred of them were present at the United Nations tea and discussion, an annual event.

## U.S. NEGRO'S ROLE IN WAR AT CHURCH SUNDAY

"The Position of a Negro Minority in a World Conflict" will be the topic of a discussion at the annual public meeting and scholarship awards program of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority at 4 p. m. Sunday in the Church of the Good Shepherd, 5700 Prairie av.

Taking part will be Cyrus Colter, Chandler Owens, J. Ernest Wilkins, Oscar Brown Jr., and Frayser T. Lane. Mrs. Wendell Green will be master of ceremonies. A music program will be presented by the Du Sable High school choir directed by Mrs. Nelmathilda Woodard.

Arrangements committee includes Mrs. Bessie Willis, Mrs. Theresa Prince, Mrs. Lucille Garnett, Miss Harriet Rogers, Mrs. Bess Cole, Miss Arianne Robinson, Mrs. Charlotte Prince, Mrs. Martha Sellers, Mrs. Willa Murdock, Miss Lauretta Peterson, Miss Carolyn Scott, Miss Barbara Strickland, Miss Janet Phillips, Mrs. Henrietta Pelky, and Miss Betty Lightfoot.





**AT THE RECEPTION** for the Directorate of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority at the home of Soror Velma Woodson, 2650 Lockridge, Kansas City, Mo. Left to right are Audrey B. Jones, Los Angeles, Carolyn S. Blanton, Louisville, Olive Durden Brown, Austin, Lucile M. Scott, Atlanta, Zateella R. Turner, Petersburg, Gladys C. Bowels, Kansas City, Mayme E. Williams, Miami, Laura Lovelace, Cincinnati, (Supreme Basileus) Albertine Edmondson, New York, Grace E. Marr, New York, Lillian M. Parrott, Baltimore, Betty Guess, Bloomington, Irma F. Clarke, Chicago and Arnetta G. Wallace, Knoxville. Members of the Directorate not shown on picture, Wilbretta P. Johnson, Cleveland, Fanette Norris, Detroit and Lucile Wilkins of Chicago.

## AKAs Protest Discrimination

Delegates to the Alpha Kappa Alpha Boule—752 strong—voted at Saturday's closing session to send letters to Mayor William E. Kemp protesting against the denial of service to Negroes in places of public accommodation.

Official letters were mailed by the sorority as a whole and by each of the eight regional directors of the sorority. In addition, many delegates planned to send individual letters to the mayor.

The action of the visiting delegates followed the refusal of many restaurants, cafes and hotels to serve them meals and the denial of rooms to delegates who made reservations in advance.

The AKA's ended their 30th annual Boule at a banquet held

Saturday night in the Exhibition hall of the Municipal auditorium. The banquet honored former national presidents of the sorority. The business sessions were presided over by Mrs. Laura T. Lovelace of Cincinnati, the national president.

## Six Former AKA Presidents Receive Special Pin Awards As 750 Delegates Look On In Banquet Closing 30th Boule

With 750 delegates from all parts of the country looking on except one of the sorority's 30 six former national presidents of Boules; Mrs. Maude Brown Porter the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority of Louisville, Ky., wife of Bishop Porter of the C.M.E. church; Saturday night, Dec. 30, at a banquet closing the 30th annual Boule Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Margaret of the sorority held at the Municipal auditorium here Dec. 7-30. Bishop Bowen of the Methodist church and Mrs. Edna Over Gray taneous session with the Kappa of Baltimore, who retired from Alpha Psi and Alpha Phi Alpha the presidency in 1949. fraternities.

The six former national presidents honored at the banquet were Dr. Dorothy Boulding Ferebee of Washington, D. C., now president of the National Council of Negro former heads was made by Mrs.

cott.

The six other former presidents received their pins by proxy.

They are Nellie Quander of Washington, D. C., Loraine E. Green of Chicago, Pauline S. Puryear of Newark, N. J.; Maudelle B. Bousfield, Chicago, Ida L. Jackson of Oakland, Calif.; and Beulah T. Whitby of Detroit.

Newly-elected officers were installed at the banquet by Mrs. L. Pearl Mitchell. New officers elected at Saturday's business session were Miss Pearl Sewell student at Howard university, Washington, second vice president; Elsie Davis, parliamentarian; Evelyn Roberts, Central regional director and Carolyn Carrington, Far Western regional director.

Re-elected for two-year terms were Mrs. Arnetta G. Wallace of Knoxville, Tenn., first vice president; Carolyn Blanton of Louisville, recording secretary; Lucile M. Scott, Atlanta, editor-in-chief of the Ivy Leaf; Mayme Williams, Miami, southeastern regional director and Zateella Turner, Petersburg, Va., South Atlantic regional director.

The A.K.A.s voted to go to Baltimore in 1951 and to Cleveland in 1952 when plans are being made for the seven Greek letter organizations supporting the American Council on Human Rights to meet jointly.

The tri-convention of Alphas, Kappas and A.K.A.s was the second time in history that three Greek letter groups have met in the same city at the same time, the first being in 1940 when the same three groups met in Kansas City.



# Kansas City Becomes Center Of Greek Activities As Throngs Of Alphas, Kappas And AKA'S Meet

Christmas comes but once a year but luckily, Tri-conventions happen only every decade or so. Cadillac cars and mink coats are over-running this city of 1,643 square miles. "Where to eat, the 10 cents store! Are you kidding? Do I have to go clear out to 18th street just for a morsel of food?" "Oh yes, it's 2 o'clock, time for the mixer." "Don't forget the Alpha smoker and, good heavens, we'd better get home in order to have plenty time to dress for the big Tri-convention party tonight." "Where is it all going to end?"

That was only one day of social activity for the hundreds of Greek let-ermen and women attending the tri-conventions of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority, Kappa Alpha Psi and Alpha Phi Alpha fraternities meeting here this week, Dec. 27-30.

The social events began with a much-too-crowded and more-than-planned-for number of visitors and delegates in a social mixer at the Paseo branch YWCA. The hostesses, members of the Pan-Hellenic council, composed of Sigma Gamma Rho, Zeta Phi Beta, Delta Sigma Theta, Phi Delta Kappa and Iota Phi Lambda sororities, Phi Beta Sigma and Omega Psi Phi fraternities, served almost 2,000 out-of-town visitors, who milled around, greeting each other, meeting new people and shouting cries of glee upon seeing that long, lost acquaintance from college days, back in "you-know-when."

Some of the guests were rushed from there to the Hod Carriers hall, where local Alphas entertained at a smoker from 4 until 7.

A public session at 8 in the Memorial hall on the Kansas side attracted a huge number of the guests, some of whom dressed for the big Tri-convention party which followed at 10 in the Exhibition hall.

There, let it be said, you couldn't breathe. Beautiful filmy net dresses, topped with luxurious orchid corsages and furs which spelled "m-o-n-e-y" were squashed into one big crowd of nearly 7,000 happy, carefree, yuletide celebrators. The countless after parties given were pretty much the same thing, packed!

Thursday's social festivities got underway in the afternoon with two events, Sweetheart Interlude in the Oriental room at the Troost lounge for wives of Kappa men, and a bridge-cocktail party feting visiting wives of Alpha men at the Street's Rose room.

A closed formal given by the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority was brilliantly presented in the Exhibition hall. Friday found the same group in a reception honoring officers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Woodson, 2950 Lockridge. The Kappas were found at 6:30, banqueting at the intricately decorated American Legion hall, while later they were entertained at open house. Two of Kansas City's finest homes were open to the group, one the residence of Dr. and Mrs. L. V. Miller, 2440 West Paseo; the other, that of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Howard, 618 Washington Blvd., on the Kansas side.

Members of Alpha Phi Alpha fraternity were found with their wives and "special dates" at their closed formal in the Little theatre tonight, Friday, Dec. 29.

Saturday night, Dec. 30, a closed banquet at the Exhibition hall given by the AKA's, a closed formal at the Little theatre by the Kappas, and a formal banquet for the Alphas at the American Legion building ended the grand and glorious week of Greek-letterdom. Some yuletide, wasn't it!

—A Staff Writer



MEMBERS OF THE ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA Sorority are shown as they prepare to donate blood to the Atlanta Blood Clinic. Mrs. Ruby Flanagan Dhye and Miss Yvonne F. Crawford are undergoing tests while Miss Lillian Graves, Mrs. Annie Hill (committee chairman), Mrs. Cathryn Johnson and Miss Marion Brown await their turns. — (Photo by Adair)

## 1,000 In Charleston, S. C. For AKA Regional Meeting

By E. P. BROOME

CHARLESTON, S. C.—More than 1,000 members, visitors and friends from New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, North Carolina, Florida, Georgia, Alabama and South Carolina, thronged this city over the weekend for the 19th annual conference of the South Atlantic Region of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

The highlight of the three-day meeting came Saturday, when Mrs. J. Waties Waring, wife of the judge who became famous for his decision regarding the right of Negroes to vote in the South Carolina democratic primary elections, addressed the group.

An unpleasant incident occurred near the middle of Mrs. Waring's address when a baseball was thrown through the window near

her, breaking glass around her feet. Investigation revealed that a baseball game was in progress at a white ball park within throwing distance of the meeting place.

THE SPEAKER, WHO HAS been the victim of many vicious pranks since her husband's unpopular decision, calmly told the delegates, "I am not afraid, and you should not be, that is simply a prankster," and continued her talk.

Following the registration on Friday evening, the delegates were entertained by Omega Psi Phi Fraternity at a cocktail party in Maryville, S. C. Later, the same evening, Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority was hostess at a formal dance, in Charleston.

Business sessions and the luncheon meeting with Mrs. Waring occupied Saturday morning. In the

afternoon, the group toured Charleston's beautiful Magnolia Gardens.

GAMMA XI OMEGA chapter was hostess to the convention. Officers are Mesdames Jessica P. Brown, basileus; Septima Clark, anti-basileus; Emma Alston grammatides; Fannie Frazier Hicklin, epistoleus; Geneva Singleton, tamiochus; Izeta Daniels, hodegos; Margaret Poinsette, philackter; Ruby Cornwell, parliamentarian; Marguerite Howie, dean of pledges, and Lucille Williams, reporter.





**AKA'S HONOR FORMER NATIONAL PRESIDENTS.**—The six women shown here were honored Saturday night by their 750 sorority sisters who attended the banquet closing the 30th annual Boule of the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority in Kansas City. They are former national presidents of the sorority and, along with six others who were honored by

proxy, they were presented special pins designed for former presidents. Left to right: Mrs. E. Pearl Mitchell of Cleveland, Mrs. Bobbie Scott of Washington, D. C., Mrs. Maude Brown Porter of Louisville, Ky.; Mrs. Margaret Davis Bowen of Atlanta, Dr. Dorothy Boulding Ferebee of Washington, D. C. and Mrs. Edna Over Gray of Baltimore.

**Pan-Hellenic in Cleveland in '52**

## Rights Stressed By Greek Groups

Reflecting the general impress of the need for better human relations throughout the world today, Greek letter associations holding conventions during the recent holiday period strongly stressed civil rights in the United States, equalization of educational facilities, and the general need for equal opportunities for all American citizens.

It was along this general theme also, that the tri-convention held in Kansas City, Mo., stressed its main convention efforts. Meeting here were Alpha Phi Alpha and Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternities and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

While an individual group picked separate convention sites for the year 1951, it has been indicated that all seven Negro Greek letter groups in 1952 might convene in Cleveland.

### OMEGAS IN BOSTON

Besides the tri-convention held in Kansas City, Omega Psi Phi

met during the holidays in Boston, Mass.; Phi Delta Kappa sorors met at Tuskegee, and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity met in New York City.

At Tuskegee the Deltas elected Mrs. Marian H. Bluit of Washington as Supreme Basileus to succeed Mrs. Olivia S. Henry. Their 1951 meet will be held in Richmond, Va.

Alphas meeting in Kansas City re-elected Atty. Belford V. Lawson of Washington as national president; Kappas elected Frank M. Summers of East St. Louis, Ill., as grand polemarch, and

Alpha Kappa Alpha sorors re-elected Mrs. Laura T. Lovelace of Cincinnati as national president.

### BROWN HEADS SIGMAS

In Boston the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity re-elected as Grand Basileus Milo Murray of Gary, Ind. The group also re-elected all national officers except the second vice-grand basileus. Their thirty-eighth conclave will be held in Miami next December.

Phi Beta Sigma fraters meeting in New York elected Dr. Felix J. Brown as national president and chose for their national convention site in 1951 the City of Birmingham. Alpha Kappa Alpha sorors will meet in Baltimore next Christmas.

## SEVEN HUNDRED AKA ATTEND GREEK LETTER MEETING IN K. C.

*Black Leadership*  
**Six Past Presidents Cited For Leadership At  
30th Annual Boule During Holidays**

### TWO FRATERNITIES JOIN IN BIG PARLEY

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**KANSAS CITY, Mo. — (ANP)** — With 750 sorors attending, Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority last week held its 30th annual boule here along with two fraternities, Kappa Alpha Psi and Alpha Phi Alpha.

Delegates reelected Mrs. Laura L. Lovelace of Cincinnati national president. Biggest event on the program was the presentation of special pins to six past presidents of the sorority.

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Mrs. Dorothy Boulding Ferebee, Washington, D. C., now president of the National Council of Negro Women; Mrs. L. Pearl Mitchell, Cleveland, who has attended all but one of the sorority's 30 boules; Mrs. Maude Brown Porter, Louisville, Ky., wife of Bishop Porter of the CME church;

Mrs. Bobbie Beatrix Scott, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. Margaret Davis Bowen, Atlanta, wife of Bishop Bowen of the Methodist church, and Mrs. Edna Over Gray, who retired from the presidency in 1949.

Mrs. Lovelace presented pins to the honorees at a special banquet. The other six past presidents received their pins by proxy. They were:

Nellie Quander, Washington, D. C.; Loraine E. Green, Chicago; Pauline Puryear, Newark, N. J.; Maudelle B. Bousefield, Chicago; Ida L. Jackson, Oakland, Calif., and Beulah T. Whitby, Detroit.

Mrs. Mitchell installed the following officers at the banquet:

Mrs. Arnetta G. Wallace, Knoxville, Tenn., first vice president; Miss Pearl Sewell, Howard university student, second vice president; Carolyn Blanton, Louisville, recording secretary; Evelyn Davis, parliamentarian;

Lucile M. Scott, Atlanta, editor-in-chief, Ivy Leaf; Mayme Williams, Miami, Fla., southeastern

regional director; Zetella Turner, Petersburg, Va., South Atlanta regional director; Evelyn Roberts, central regional director, and Carolyn Carrington, far western regional director.

Sorors voted to name the endowment fund the Ethel Hedgeman Lyle Endowment fund in memory of the AKA founder who died in Philadelphia in November. On the 50th anniversary of the sorority, the fund will give \$2,000 to the two granddaughters of Mrs. Lyle for their education.

Among featured speakers at the convention were Mrs. Sallie Nuby Edwards, St. Louis, president of Sigma Gamma Rho sorority, and Dr. Ferebee. Mrs. Edwards discussed "Midcentury Relationships of Greek Letter Organizations," and Dr. Ferebee, "Women United."

The sorority voted to continue its health project and also to evaluate it in regard to the health needs of Negroes. It also voted \$2,500 to the American Council on Human Rights.

With Ida Scott leading, members held memorial services for deceased sorors. A reception honoring national officers was held at the home of Mrs. Velma Woodson.

The 1951 boule will be held in Baltimore, and the 1952 in Cleveland when all seven Greek members of the ACHR will meet in joint session.



# A.K.A.s Pay Tribute To Sorority Founder

Devote Meditation To Memory of Mrs. Ethel H. Lyle

The 30th annual Boule of the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority opened Thursday morning with the 600 or more delegates in the Music hall devoting their morning meditation to a tribute to the late Ethel Hedgeman Lyle, founder of the sorority, who died in Philadelphia in November.

The meditation was led by Mrs. Margaret Davis Bowen of Atlanta, former national president of the sorority.

Mrs. Lillian Parrott, of Baltimore, regional director of the North Atlantic region, sang "There Is No Death."

Mrs. Lyle, together with other students at Howard university, founded the A. K. A. sorority in 1908. Although there were 11 founders, it was Mrs. Lyle who conceived the idea and inspired her fellow students to organize the sorority which now has an active membership of 7510 women and 221 active chapters, 85 undergraduate and 136 graduate.

Two other founders of the sorority are attending the sessions and were presented at the opening meeting by Mrs. Laura T. Lovelace, the supreme basileus. They are Mrs. Beulah Burke of Washington and Mrs. Lavinia Norman of Huntington, W. Va.

Following the meditation service, greetings were extended to the visiting delegates by Mrs. Gladys C. Bowles of Kansas City, Kas., midwestern regional director. Mrs. Lillian T. Orme, basileus of Mu Omega chapter in Kansas City, Kas. and Mrs. Dorothy Davis, basileus of Beta Omega chapter in Kansas City, Mo.

The response on behalf of visiting members was given by Miss Margaret Hunt of Hugo, Okla., an undergraduate member of the sorority.

The eight regional directors of the sorority participated in a round table discussion, answering questions which had been asked of them by various chapters during the year and discussing policies of the sorority.

Participants were Mrs. Lucile B. Wilkins of Chicago, Mrs. Lillian M. Parrott of Baltimore, Miss Zatella Turner of Petersburg, W.

Va., Mrs. Fanette Norris of Detroit, Mrs. Olive D. Brown of Austin, Texas, Mayme E. Williams of Miami, Fla., Gladys C. Bowles of Kansas City, Kas., and Audrey B. Jones of Los Angeles.

Seated on the platform and presented to the delegates in addition to the two founders were six former national presidents of the sorority. They are: Dr. Dorothy Boulding Ferebee of Washington, D. C. who is the president of the National Council of Negro Women; Mrs. L. Pearl Mitchell, Cleveland; Mrs. Maude Brown Porter, Louisville; Mrs. Bobbie B. Scott, Washington, D. C. and Margaret Davis Bowen of Atlanta and Edna Over Gray of Baltimore who retired from the national presidency last year.

Reports were made during the day by Albertine Edmondson, New York, the parliamentarian; Miss Betty Guess, the second vice president; Grace E. Marr, the undergraduate program adviser; Mrs. Lucile Scott, Atlanta, editor of the Ivy Leaf, Carolyn S. Blanton, national secretary and Carey B. Maddox, the administrative secretary in charge of the sorority's office in Chicago.

Guest speaker in the afternoon session was Mrs. Sallie Nuby Edwards of St. Louis, national president of the Sigma Gamma sorority. She stressed the need for continued cooperation among Greek letter organizations.

Dr. Ferebee, as president of the National Council of Negro women, will speak to the delegates Saturday afternoon on "Women United."

Reports of officers will be continued in Friday's session. Election of officers will be held Saturday.

# Sorority Head Raps K.C. Bias

CHICAGO—(ANP)—In a note of protest to Mayor William E. Kemp of Kansas City, Mo., the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority last week denounced the racial bias shown their delegates in Kansas City in public places during the recent convention of the AKA's and two Negro fraternities there.

In a letter dated Jan. 10 and signed Mrs. Laura T. Lovelace, Supreme Basileus of the sorority, the AKA's pointed out specific instances of discrimination by restaurants and hotels during the convention, Dec. 27-30, 1950.

## COPY TO TRUMAN

The sorority also sent a copy of the letter to President Truman and asked him to do all in his power "to bring human rights to a fuller fruition in the nation so that the practice of democracy on the state and municipal levels may fulfill a truer meaning."

Meeting with the AKA's in Kansas City were the Alpha Phi Alpha and Kappa Alpha Psi fraternities.

Mrs. Lovelace, in her letter, charged that eating places near the convention, headquarters of the tri-convention, refused to serve delegates. She also noted that the railroad station restaurant served them the first day of the meeting, then resorted to segregation.

## ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA HAS ANNIVERSARY

Local chapters of the Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority are celebrating the 43rd anniversary of its founding and paying homage to Soror Marine Woolfolk Taylor, of Atlanta, one of the living founders. Mrs. Taylor will be heard in a radio broadcast Sunday at 1 p.m. and is an honor guest at a banquet Saturday, also honoring Soror L.D. Shivey, a chartered member. The sorority has chapters at Clark and Morris Brown Colleges.

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## Chi Eta Phi Nurses' Sorority



**HONOREES**—Mrs. Mabel K. Staupers, left, Spingarn medalist, presents gift to Mrs. Sophia Nelson, Pittsburgh, from sorors of Chi Eta Phi, the nurses' sorority. Mrs. Staupers was guest speaker for the sorority in Pittsburgh last Sunday. Both Mrs. Staupers and Mrs. Nelson were honored at a luncheon Sunday afternoon at the Hotel Pittsburgher.—Societel Photo.

## Mabel K. Staupers Is Honored in Pittsburgh

By TOKI SCHALK JOHNSON  
PITTSBURGH—

One of the country's most dynamic women, Mabel K. Staupers, R.N., conquered Pittsburgh Sunday in a speech which drew huzzahs from the crowded parlours of Loendi Club. The most recent winner of the Spingarn Medal for noteworthy achievement in the field of human relations, brought her audience to its toes with her rapid fire, down to earth and illuminating talk.

Brought to Pittsburgh by Chi Eta Phi nurses' sorority, a national organization of registered nurses, headed here by Mrs. Bessie Cephas, R.N., Mrs. Staupers had a fund of information con-

cerning the wonderful progress made by the now-defunct Negro Graduate Nurses group. Without hesitation, this group, which numbered thousands within its ranks, taking in every state in the Union, dissolved by mutual consent of all chapters, when full integration of Negro nurses into interracial nurses organizations became evident.

Mrs. Staupers said that "our women must take part in the meetings of these various organizations. Lack of time, the usual excuse, must be overridden so that our women may follow up the advantages now available to them. We have won a point, but we must fight to keep it."

### LUNCHEON

Earlier in the day, at a luncheon served in the Pittsburgher Hotel for some thirty guests, the sorority members also honored Mrs. Sophia Nelson, one of Pittsburgh's outstanding women, whose constant fight for equality of rights, of human endeavor through the NAACP and her own personal efforts, has made her star material. It was the pleasant duty of Mrs. Staupers to present a beautiful black and silver pin to Mrs. Nelson with a charmingly appropriate speech.

Mrs. Nelson, in her acceptance speech, told of the struggles she had had in her early days in this city, in helping to secure Negro school teachers, and how she had been privileged to name some of the first.

Assuming the role of mistress of ceremonies for the informal program was Miss Frances Patterson, who was also chairman of the day's events.

At the head tables at the luncheon, besides Mrs. Staupers, Mrs. Nelson and Miss Patterson, were Mrs. Robert L. Vann, Mrs. Daisy E. Lampkin, Mrs. Hazel Garland and Mrs. Toki Schalk Johnson.

Later, at the early evening meeting at Loendi Club, talented Miss Patterson introduced Mrs. Hazel Garland as mistress of ceremonies. Miss Kathlyn Handy, Miss Barbara Lee Williams, Mrs. Willa Charles and Robert Mosley offered musical selections.

Mrs. Cephas, basileus of Kappa chapter, Chi Eta Phi, presented the sorority members, who include: Mrs. Bessie Cephas, basileus; Mrs. Joyce Lomax, gram-mateus; Mrs. Pauline Hord, epis-

toleus; Mrs. Marie Cowans, tamias; Miss Lillie Lesesne, tamiaulias; Mrs. Evelyn Johnson, chaplain; Miss Marguerite Wall, reporter; Mrs. Marie Harris Breedlove, parliamentarian; Mrs. Emily Travis, sergeant-at-arms; Mrs. Eunice Cook, Miss Patsy Jayne Ware and Miss Gladys Harris.

## Mrs. Anita Bass Nurses' Basileus

TUSKEGEE, Ala. — Mrs. Anita K. Bass, a nursing supervisor at the Veterans Hospital, here, was re-elected grand basileus of Chi Eta Phi Sorority at the sixth annual boule, here, last week.

Other officers named were:

Supreme anti-basileus, Pauline Lloyd, Phoebus, Va.; national executive secretary, Jewell R. Crawford, Tuskegee, Ala.; national parliamentarian, Elouise Collier, Rahway, N.J.; national hadegoa, Dorothy Wilkins, Charlotte, N.C.; national historian, Ida C. Robinson, Washington, D.C.;

National chaplain, Carolease Wallace, Richmond, Va.; national tamias, Mildred W. Lucas, Washington; national, dean of pledgees, Fostine Riddick, Norfolk, Va.; national dean of sponsors, Edna B. Everhart, Washington;

National sergeant-at-arms, Cleo Yongue, Charlotte, N.C.; national organizer, Clara Beverly, Washington; national philackter, Erma E. Watkins, Tuskegee; and National editor-in-chief of the "Glowing Lamp," Zoella Y. Baker, Philadelphia.

### To Philadelphia

The 1952 meeting will be held in Philadelphia, next October.

The sorors, nurses, all voted to continue their two-point program of (1) a national scholarship fund to aid nurses to obtain a degree in nursing education, and (2) cooperation with the Association of Future Nurses of America in recruiting young women for nurse training. The program was expanded at this meeting to include support of Health Education in Africa and a fund to aid victims of rheumatic fever.

### Col. Garrett Heard

The public meeting was one of the highlights of the Boule. Held in the auditorium of Trade A building on the campus of Tuskegee Institute the meeting featuring "Nursing Aspects of Atomic Warfare" was in cooperation with the Civil Defense Department of the

State of Alabama. Colonel J. M. Garrett Jr., State Director of Civil Defense, and Dr. Eric Rodgers, professor of physics, University of Alabama, appeared on the program and showed two educational films on atomic warfare.

### Social Affairs

The social activities for the Boule included a dance sponsored by the Inter-Fraternal Council of Tuskegee, a formal dance sponsored by the local chapter, and the closed banquet served by the students in the Department of Commercial Dietetics of Tuskegee Institute.

The banquet featured the presentation of the past supreme basileus key to Nurse Sadie D. Spradley of Washington, who served supreme basileus in 1949-50. Mrs. Mabel K. Staupers, the first nurse to receive the Spingarn Medal, who is an honorary member of the Chi Eta Phi Sorority, was honored in the convention number of the official organ, "The Glowing Lamp."

Sorors were welcomed to the campus of Tuskegee by Dr. I. A. Derbigney, and hosted by Epsilon Chapter of Tuskegee, of which Miss Norine L. Moore is basileus.





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**CHI ETAS MEET**—Over 125 delegates from five of the six states in which chapters are located gathered at Tuskegee Institute, Oct. 25-28, for the sixth annual Boule of the National Sorority of Chi Eta Phi. This sorority is composed of registered nurses. Epsilon Chapter at Tuskegee, Ala., under

the leadership of Basileus Norine L. Moore, served as hostess chapter for the annual meeting of the national sorority. The supreme basileus of the sorority, Mrs. Anita K. Bass, a nursing supervisor at the Veterans Hospital, is a member of the Tuskegee chapter. Delegates are shown above.

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This sorority composed of registered nurses was organized several years ago in order to bring together the members of the nursing profession in a program of "Service for Humanity and the Health of the Nation."

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Dr. I. A. Derbigny, vice-president of the Institute, and the sorors left loud in their praise of Tuskegee for the splendid entertainment furnished them.

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Supreme Basileus, Anita K. Bass, Tuskegee, Ala.; supreme anti-basileus, Pauline Lloyd, Phoebus, Va.; national executive secretary, Jewell R. Crawford, Tuskegee, Ala.; national parliamentarian, Elouise Collier, Rahway, N. J.; national hedegoa, Dorothy Wilkins, Charlotte, N. C.; national historian, Ida C. Robinson, Washington, D. C.; national chaplain, Carolease Wallace, Richmond, Va.; national tamias, Mildred W.



# Chi Eta Phi Sorority Meets At Tuskegee

USKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala. — More than 125 delegates attended the Chi Eta Phi (Nurses) Sorority's annual meeting held at the Tuskegee Institute.

Epsilon chapter of this city, under the leadership of Basileus Norine L. Moore, was hostess. The supreme basileus of the sorority, Mrs. Anita Bass, is a nursing supervisor at the Veterans hospital.

Highlighting the sixth annual Boule was a public meeting held in the auditorium of the Trade A Building on the Tuskegee Institute campus.

The meeting featured "Nursing Aspects of Atomic Welfare" which was produced with the cooperation of the Civil Defense Department.

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The 1952 meeting will be held in Philadelphia, Pa., in October. Officers for the '51-'52 season include Anita K. Bass, Supreme Basileus; Paine Lloyd of Phoebus, Va., Supreme anti-basileus; Jewel Crawford, Executive secretary.

Others include Elouise Collier of Rahway, N. J., parliamentarian; Dorothy Wilkins, Madegoa; Ida C. Robinson of Washington, D. C., historian; Carolease Wallace of Richmond, Va., chaplain; Mildred W. Lucas of Washington, D. C. Tamias.

Still others are Fostine Riddick of Norfolk, Va., dean of pledges; Edna B. Everhart, dean of sponsors; Cleo Yongue of Charlotte, N. C., sgt.-at-arms; Clara Beverly of Washington, D. C., national organizer; Erma Watkins, Philacter and Zoella Y. Bakor of Philadelphia, Pa., national editor of the "Glowing Lamp".



## Sorority Returns Charter; Refuses To Expel Negroes

ONEIDA, N. Y.—(Special) A national social sorority, asked to expel two Negro members, has decided to surrender its charter rather than adhere to principles in conflict with the precepts of Democracy.

The local chapter of Delta Gamma Delta bolted from the parent organization rather than comply with a resolution to bar Negroes, adopted at a National convention in Buffalo July 12.

The Oneida chapter, founded in 1897 and second oldest chapter in the sorority, was faced with the choice of expelling the Negroes or returning its charter.

A secret ballot by the 22 active and 20 inactive members was unanimous in a decision to return the charter.

Miss Kay Kelly, a chapter member who delivered a principal address at a meeting last night, commented:

"We of Beta chapter have decided that if Delta Gamma Delta is going to adhere to ideas which are not in accord with the principles of our country and our conscience and our religion, we must withdraw from the organization."

## SORORITY UNIT BOLTS OVER BAN ON NEGROES

Special to THE NEW YORK TIMES.

ONEIDA, N. Y., July 23—Because it had been asked to expel two Negro members, the local chapter of Delta Gamma Delta, a national social sorority, resigned tonight from its parent organization.

The action resulted from a resolution to bar Negroes, adopted at the national convention of the sorority in Buffalo July 12. The resolution was proposed by the national officers and it was learned that the Oneida chapter had admitted two Negro girls.

The Oneida chapter, founded in 1897 and second oldest in the sorority, got the choice of expelling the two members or of surrendering its charter.

The two active and twenty inactive members voted unanimously by secret ballot Sunday night to return the charter.

In the principal speech at the

meeting tonight, Miss Kay Kelly, a chapter member, said, "We of Beta chapter have decided that if Delta Gamma Delta is going to adhere to ideas which are not in accord with the principles of our country and our conscience and our religion, we must withdraw from the organization."

The national sorority is known as a high school sorority. The local chapter includes women between 20 and 35 years old.

## BETA TAKES A STAND

It is not the most important of all matters in a troubled world that Beta chapter of Delta Gamma Delta, a national social sorority, has withdrawn from membership in the parent organization. However, we think Beta deserves a pat on the back for standing up to its convictions in a matter that does have more than a little social significance.

Of its own free will Beta had taken in two Negro members. The national organization gave it the choice of expelling these two members or of surrendering its charter. Beta has just voted unanimously to surrender the charter. Its stated reason for so doing is that "we of Beta chapter have decided that if Delta Gamma Delta is going to adhere to ideas which are not in accord with the principles of our country and our conscience and our religion, we are going to withdraw from the organization."

## Sorors Bolt Over Ban on Negroes

ONEIDA, N. Y.—Beta chapter of Delta Gamma Delta, a national social sorority, last week voted to surrender its charter to the national body rather than expel two colored sorors whom it had admitted. In making known the group's stand, Miss Kay Kelly, a chapter member, stated: "Beta Chapter has decided to surrender its charter rather than adhere to ideas not in accord with the principles of our country and conscience."

BETA CHAPTER of Delta Gamma Delta has done what all honest groups should do—withdraw from the parent body over the issue of admitting a colored member. Too bad so many of our churches, business concerns and labor unions do not do likewise.



# Deltas Win American Library Award



AT THE NEWBERRY, Caldecott Award dinner of the American Library Association last Tuesday in Chicago's Palmer House. Beginning at the right and moving clockwise around the table are: Mrs. Monica Rice, Chicago; Margaret Raymond Thompson, Burlington, Iowa; Mrs. Rosa Rollins and Mrs. Lynette Young, Chicago; Mrs. Nancy McKee, Edinborough, Pa.; Mrs. Berenice Polk, and Mrs. Clara Minger, Chicago. Back to camera is Mrs. Margaret Hunton, Atlanta.

## Hundreds At ALA Meet In Chicago

Actively participating in the 180 seminars and workshops at the 75th annual convention of the American

Library association meeting at the Palmer house and the Stevens hotel last week were more than 100 professional Negro librarians from all over the country.

They ranged from county supervisors, hospital librarians, teachers in schools of library science, and cataloguers to children librarians and representatives of the public library.

In addition to the regular schedule of business meetings many interesting exhibits and social affairs made the week a full one, long to be remembered.

### Special Exhibit

George Cleveland Hall library featured special exhibit of John Jones, pioneer Negro citizen of Chicago who made bequests to the Chicago public library when he died in 1879.

The works of four Negro authors were included in the display on Chicago writers in the lobby of the main public library. They are Gwendolyn Brooks, Era Belle Thompson, Arna Bontemps, and Willard Motley.

Elizabeth Yates, winner of the 1950 Newberry award, annually given for the best children's book, was honored at a tea at Hall branch where she autographed copies of her book, Amos Fortune, Free Man, and told how she came to write the story of the ex-slave.

At the closing session of the convention in the grand ballroom of the Stevens hotel, Maude L. Watkins, chairman of the National Library committee of Delta Sigma Theta sorority accepted the 1950 Library award for the Delta Sigma Theta bookmobile.

### Library On Wheels

The award is made annually to a library for distinguished contribution to enlightened public opinion on an issue of primary or continuing importance.

The committee voted unanimously to give this year's citation to the Delta's library-on-wheels which serves three rural counties in northwest Georgia.

Mrs. Charlamae Rollins, children's librarian at Hall branch, was

elected to the Newberry Caldecott award committee, the first time a Negro has been named. She is also a member of the central council of the association, and chairman of the branch library section of the public library division.

### Other Officers

Other Negroes who hold offices are Dr. Virginia L. Jones, director of the Atlanta Library School who is secretary treasurer of the Association of School Libraries.

Dr. Sadie T. Delaney librarian of the veterans' hospital at Tuskegee and Mrs. Mollie H. Lee, supervisor of Negro libraries of North Carolina are both members of the central council of ALA.

Noted among the delegates were Mrs. Margaret Hunton, Clark university Atlanta; Spencer Shaw of Brooklyn, whose story-telling programs are beamed over the Voice of America; Arna Bontemps, librarian at Fisk university; Mrs. Hallie Brooks, teacher in the Atlanta library school; Mrs. Inez Babb and Mrs. Lillian Hall, Indianapolis; Mayo Powell, Detroit; Estelle Abercrombie, Montgomery, Ala.; and Beulah Davis, Morgan State college, Baltimore.

## Delta Sigma Theta Gives Scholarships

CHICAGO — (ANP) Ten young women have received scholarship grants from Delta Sigma Theta sorority for undergraduate, graduate and professional studies during the school year 1951-52, it was announced last week. The recipients are:

Miss Jean Sylvain of Port-au-Prince, Haiti, to complete work on the Ph. D. degree in anthropology at Columbia university; Miss Valeria Floyd and Miss Gwill Ford, Detroit, both honor students at Wayne university and Miss Stinetta Taylor, Detroit, Mich., undergraduate student at West Virginia State college.

Also Miss Margaret Miller, B. Parrott, Baltimore, Md., graduate student at Bryn Mawr college; and Miss Gwendolyn Greene, Buffalo, N. Y., the Juliette Dericotte Memorial Scholarship at the University of Pittsburgh.

Special grants went to Miss Al-tama Trent Johns of State Teachers college, Montgomery, Ala., for completion of an opera; Miss Vivian B. Scott of New York for piano studies in preparation for her Town Hall recital next autumn, and Miss Helene Jates of Dayton, O., to study voice in Paris, France.

Delta scholarship awards and grants are available to undergraduate and graduate women students of exceptional ability. Affiliation with the sorority is not a pre-requisite.

Applications may be obtained from Mrs. Ora Lee Mitchell, grand vice president, at 2903 Milan st., New Orleans, La. Request for applications for the 1952-53 grants should be made before Feb. 15, 1952.





MRS. CHARLAMAUE ROLLINS (right) children's librarian at George C. Hall branch, Chicago, congratulates Miss Elizabeth Yates, winner of the 1950 award for her book, Amos Fortune, Free Man, the story of an ex-slave. Mrs. Rollins is a member of the committee which each year selects the best book written and illustrated for children. Miss Yates was also the honored guest at a tea at Hall Branch. Defender



MRS. ALICE BROOKS MCGUIRE (right) chairman of the ALA Library Award committee, presents the library award to Miss Maude Watkins, chairman of the library committee, Delta Sigma Theta sorority. The prize was awarded for the most outstanding library, which this year was a "Bookmobile," or traveling library which the Delta

Sigma Theta sorority set up for rural work in Georgia. Miss Watkins is assistant librarian at the George Bruce branch, Public Library, New York City. Defender photo by Guinn.

## Delta Leaders Admire New Library Award



Members of Delta Sigma Theta sorority are proud these days for their achievement of winning the Letter Library Award of the American Library association at its recent meeting in Chicago. The Deltas earned the group's top award for its famed Bookmobile Library on wheels project in the rural South.

Last year, the bookmobile service in northwest Georgia brought library services to thousands of rural citizens who otherwise may never have had an opportunity to see a book. This particular project was judged by the Library body as one of the great contributions made in this field during the past year.

In the above picture are shown three top sorors as they display the plaque. They are (left to right) Mrs. Janet Avery Hamilton, regional director; Miss Maude L. Watkins, chairman, Delta's national library committee, who accepted the plaque, and Mrs. Jeanette Triplett Jones, past grand president of the sorority.—(ANP)





### DELTA'S HOLD REGIONAL PLANNING MEET-

The Planning Committee of the Southern Region of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. met last week in Atlanta to formulate and discuss plans for the activities of the Region. The chapters of the Region, which include the states of Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, Tennessee, Alabama and Mississippi, will concentrate on a two fold Regional Project, Vocational Library Units and Rehabilitation. *in. 11-30-51*

The Rehabilitation phase, which will emphasize the program of rehabilitation and pre-vocational training of the physically handicapped at the therapeutic center at Tuskegee Institute, is coordinated by Mrs. Ruth Ballard. Mrs. Annette Hoage is Chairman of the Vocational Library Units, which consist of collections of vocational guidance materials set up in two colleges of the Southern Region.

The Planning Committee, left to right: Mrs. Margurite Stewart, Tau Sigma, Birmingham, Ala.; Miss Samuella Gray, Sigma, Clark College, Atlanta, Georgia; Mrs. Lillian Pugh, Gamma Psi Sigma, Albany, Georgia; Miss Lucia James, Director of Southern Region; Mrs. Mamie Reese, Gamma Psi Sigma, Columbus, Georgia and Mrs. Cleonia Taylor, Alpha Lambda Sigma, Montgomery, Alabama. Second row: Miss Ann Owen, Beta Chi, State Teachers College, Montgomery, Alabama; Mrs. Dorothy Taylor, Beta Delta Sigma, Savannah, Georgia; Miss Virginia Fair, Gamma Rho Sigma, Columbus, Georgia; Mrs. Myrtle Mickens, Recorder, Atlanta; Mrs. Mattie

Greenwood, Atlanta, Iota Sigma and Miss Harriett Williams, Gamma Lambda Sigma, Greenville, S. C., Third Row: Mrs. Ruth Ballard, Chairman, Rehabilitation Project, Zeta Sigma, Tuskegee, Mrs. Annette Hoage, Chairman, Vocational Library Units and Mrs. Gussie Hyatt, Beta Epsilon Sigma, Chattanooga, Tennessee. Other members not shown are, Miss Patricia Algood, Eta Chapter, Fort Valley State College, Georgia; Miss Doris Fredd, Tuskegee Institute and Miss Marion Speight, Daytona Beach, Florida.

## Totaling \$4,000

### Awards Are Available To Grads, Undergrads

CHICAGO—Delta Sigma Theta Sorority recently announced that ten young women have received scholarship grants totaling \$4,000 for undergraduate, graduate, and professional studies during the school year 1951-1952, according to the announcement released by Mrs. Louise Gaines Daugherty, chairman of the scholarship board.

Among the recipients were Miss Jean Sylvain of Port-au-Prince, Haiti, who will be able to complete the requirements for the Ph.D in Anthropology at Columbia University this year; Valeria Floyd of Detroit, Wayne University undergraduate honor student; Stinetta Taylor of Detroit, West Virginia State College senior.

In addition, three outstanding graduate students were voted grants enabling them to complete independent research for advanced degrees.

Miss Margaret Miller, Langston University graduate, will matriculate at the University of Michigan in the School of Social Work. Miss Liller B. Parrott of Baltimore, who earned her B.S. at Morgan College, has already enrolled in the School of Social Work at Bryn Mawr College.

Miss Gwendolyn Greene of Buffalo, N. Y., was awarded the Juliette Derricotte Memorial Scholarship at the University of Pittsburgh for the second time, because of her outstanding record in academic and extra-curricular activities.

### SPECIAL GRANTS

Special grants went to three young women who have already shown unusual talent and professional skill in their respective fields.

Miss Alta Trent Johns of State Teachers College, Montgomery, Ala., looks forward to completion of her operetta. Miss Vivian B. Scott of New York, a graduate of Howard University and Juillard School of Music will use this year to build her repertoire for the piano in preparation for her Town Hall recital next autumn.

Miss Helene Oates of Dayton, graduate student of voice at Sy-



MISS HELEN OATES

... wins scholarship

racuse University, will journey to Paris for further study.

Delta Sigma Theta scholarship awards and grants are available to undergraduate and graduate students of outstanding ability, scholarship, and achievement. Affiliation with the sorority is not a prerequisite. Applications may be obtained from the grand vice president, Mrs. Ora Lee Mitchell, 2803 Milan Street, New Orleans, who serves as chairman of the scholarship board. Requests for applications for the 1952-1953 grants should be made before Feb. 15, 1953.



# Negro Sponsors White Sorority

By June L. Rhine 12-8-51

NEW YORK, Dr. Deborah Cannon Partridge, Associate Professor of Education at Queens College, the only Negro member of the faculty of that Institution, is probably the first and only woman of color to sponsor a white sorority.

Exerting the pressure to choose their own sponsor, the Epsilon Phi Sigma Sorority recently elected Dr. Partridge to position. Already they have held held one meeting and one social affair under her guidance, and everything "turned out beautifully" according to the charming sponsor.

"Because the idea was so new, I hesitated to grant their request at first, but I finally consented when I considered that it would probably make an opening for Negro students who might wish to join the sorority," Dr. Partridge said.

Author of a book, "Designing the Curriculum of Negro Schools," and many articles of educational import, the versatile young woman has recently prepared an article for the Journal of Negro Education Yearbook on "Adult Education Projects by Negro College Fraternities and Sororities."

At Queens College, Dr. Partridge also sponsors an education club, the only organization of students of the entire education department. She said the campus has service sororities and fraternities which render various services for the College, such as preparing the calendar of events, etc. Already the membership is integrated in these.

When a student at Columbia university, where, on a General Education Board Scholarship she received her Doctorate, she was elected to Kappa Delta Pi and Pi Lambda Theta, National Societies in education. As Vice-President of Alpha Epsilon Chapter, Pi Lambda Theta, honor sorority, she represented Columbia University at the 17th Biennial Council of that organization at its recent meeting and served as chairman of its resolution committee.

Dr. Partridge is also Associate Professor at New York University where she teaches Child Development and Human Relation. While a teacher at Tuskegee, she headed the National Infantile Paralysis

Campaign as a member of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority.

The versatile young woman is the daughter of Mrs. Gretrude Cannon Morris of Belmar, N. J. and the late Dr. Davis W. Cannon, former pastor of the First Baptist Church at Cranford, N. J. She is sister of Dr. Mary McLean of the Spring public school system. She is the wife of Henry Roy Partridge, teacher of Accounting and Engineering at Tuskegee, and the mother of 4-year-old Henry Roy Jr.



## Writer Raps Sororities

NEW YORK—College sororities should be abolished from American campuses as hotbeds of snobbery, intellectual dishonesty and racial discrimination. A former sorority member makes these and other serious charges in the issue of Look magazine just released.

The article, written by Rose Ann Smith Robinson, a graduate of the class of 1943 of Northwestern University, claims that sororities are a "swindle," both for the girls who are excluded and those who join.

In a crushing indictment on the count of racial and religious discrimination, Mrs. Robinson cites the fact that most sororities limit their Catholic membership to 10 per cent, and that Jewish girls cannot be pledged by gentile sororities unless they are exceptionally beautiful, talented or rich.



# Iotas Give Citations to Eight Outstanding Women



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Southern region of the Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, for meritorious service rendered in their respective communities.

Mrs. Jeanne S. Scott of Pitts-

burgh, Pa., national president of Iota, was the first named.

Mrs. M. Cleopatra Crutcher, Tuskegee, Ala., Southern regional director, for her active interest and work.

### IN THE FIELD

In the business and cultural field, the following were named:

Mrs. Nettie Bennett Archer, Atlanta, Ga., who has been in bank-

ing business for a number of years, presently is assistant vice president of the Citizens Trust Company, treasurer of National Banking Association, executive committee member of the Atlanta Trade Association and past national treasurer of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority.

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Lambda Chapter of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Inc., Tuskegee Institute, Ala., is making elaborate preparations for its annual presentation of "Business on Parade."

This year the observance will extend over a period of two days, Oct. 12 and 13. Friday, Oct. 12, at 7 o'clock in the Chambliss Children's House auditorium, there will be a panel discussion in which representatives of the various types of businesses operating in Tuskegee will participate in discussing the theme: "The Role of Iota Women in Community Responsibilities for the Improvement of Business."

Charles G. Gomillion, dean of students, Tuskegee Institute, will serve as panel chairman. The following types of businesses will be represented: Cosmetology, Mrs. R. E. Jones, LTEM School of Beauty Culture; Insurance, Lyonel Ritchie; Commercial Service, William A. Shields; Confectionary, Mrs. Edith M. Washington; Real Estate, A. C. Bulls; Entertainment, Charles G. Stokes.

On Saturday, Oct. 13, Lambda Chapter will hold its Coronation Ball at the Propeller Club beginning at 10 P. M. At this time "Miss Business on Parade" will be crowned.

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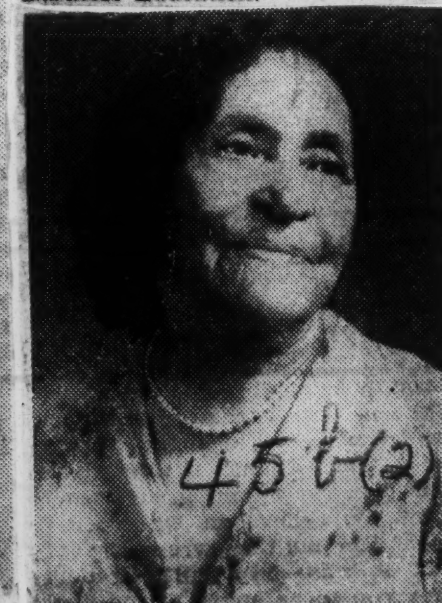
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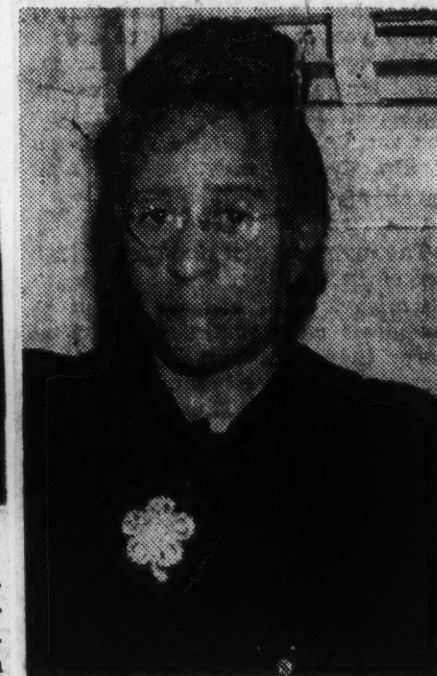
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# Iotas Complete Successful 22nd National Convention in Texas



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## NEW OFFICERS ELECTED

Three new officers were elected during the convention and installed at the banquet by Soror Lola M. Parker, president-emeritus. There were Soror Nona D. Ggs, Norfolk, Va., Eastern Regional Director; Soror Mahala Evans, Chicago, national Director of Education, and Soror Mary Cacote, Knoxville, Tenn., Southern Regional Director.

Special educational awards went to Beta Tau Chapter, Sacramento, Calif., and Beta Phi, Buffalo, N. Y.

AKA Sorority furnished a Coke and pop bar by the Metropolitan Council made the sessions agreeable.

The 1952 national convention will be held in Durham, N. C.

**IOTAS MEET PRESS**—Prominent sorors and members of the national board of Iota Phi Lambda, National Business Women's Sorority, held a press conference on Friday, Aug. 24, in the auditorium of the St. John Baptist Church, headquarters for the national meeting during its twenty-second national convention. Present at roll call were, seated from left: Soror B. A. J. Whitted, Sorors Marion H. Jackson, president;

Jeanne S. Scott, Evelyn D. Wilkie, E. Coleman Lockhardt, Ruby G. Embry, Sarah Sims. Standing: Odessa D. Garland, Wadell D. Farmer, Victoria Smith, Helen Jones Bluford, Lucille Bell, M. C. Crutcher and Ethel Turner. Following the press conference and executive board meeting, a pre-convention dinner was given by Psi (hostess chapter) at the palatial home of Mrs. L. E. Coleman Lockhardt, past Southwestern regional director.

Garland, president of the host party given by the Federated Clubs was followed by the closer chapter, presided.

Bringing greetings were the Dallas Chamber of Commerce, Negro Chamber of Commerce, City Federated Clubs, B. and P. Women's Club and the Metropolitan Council of NCNW. Soror Scott gave the response. Mrs. Marion H. Jackson, first national vice president, introduced the guest speakers. Mrs. Lola M. Parker, founder-president emeritus of Iota, gave the history of the sorority.

## SOCIAL FETES

A patio reception given by the Iota Patroness Board honored the sorors Sunday night. The past National Officers' Council gave their fifth annual breakfast Monday at Wells' Restaurant. A gala event was the formal ball held in the famous Empire Room with Psi Chapter as host. A sight-seeing tour and a garden

banquet, where Soror B. A. J. Whitted of Durham, N. C., second national vice president served as mistress of ceremonies. Speaking during the evening were past president, Alice P. Allen of Birmingham, Ala.; past Southwestern Regional Director L. E. Coleman Lockhardt and Soror Alma I. Mackey. Soror Anna Hughes, Louisville, Ky., present the PNOC and inducted Sorors Cleo M. Crutcher and Evelyn D. Wilkey into the past officers council.

Receiving gifts were Sorors Crutcher and Wilkey, Victoria D. Smith, in behalf of Psi Chapter presented gifts to President Scott, Soror Lola M. Parker and Alma Mackey. Receiving corsages were Claytie Searcy, Odessa D. Garland, president of Psi Chapter.

## Durham to Be Scene Of Next Year's Meet

DALLAS, Tex.—Psi Chapter of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority was host to the twenty-second national convention, Aug. 24-30, with National President Jeanne S. Scott presiding and giving the annual report of the progress of this fast-moving business women's organization.

All sessions were held at St. John Baptist Church, the Rev. E. Cobel Estell, pastor. A get acquainted affair was held Saturday at the home of Soror Emily Simmons. Sunday morning, the sorors worshiped at St. Paul Methodist Church, Dr. I. B. Loud, pastor.

Mrs. Susie E. Powell was organist. The national president, and Mrs. L. E. Coleman, were on the program.

## EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

An enthusiastic crowd enjoyed the annual Iota Educational program at Munger Avenue Baptist Church, where two outstanding sorors discussed the theme, "The Responsibility of Iota Women in a Global Crisis." The speakers were Soror Marie Smith-Morgan of Denver, Col., and Soror Emma Van Dyke of Austin, Tex. Mrs. Alma I. Mackey, Southwest regional director, made the welcome address; Soror Odessa





Jacksonville, Fla., guest of Chi Chapter.

**IOTA PHI LAMBDA MEET**—These are some of the delegates who attended the annual Southern regional conference of the Iota Phi Lambda Sorority held at Savannah State College, Savannah, Ga. The conference lasted three days and the visiting sorors were shown many courtesies by the college and by citizens of Savannah.

National officers present included Mrs. Alice P. Allen, Birmingham, and Mrs. Sarah Lewis and Mrs. Nettie Bennett of Atlanta, Ga.—Freeman Photo.

### Knoxville Woman Heads Southern Region

# Iota Phi Lambda Sorors Wind Up Successful Meet

By WADELLE O. FARMER

SAVANNAH, Ga.—Nu Chapter of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority, Mrs. Helen Weathers, president, was hostess to the Southern Regional Conference here on the beautiful Savannah State College campus, March 9-10-11. The first Greek letter organization to hold such a meeting on the campus in the school's history. President W. K. Payne, extends delegates and visitors a cordial welcome at a public program in Meldrum Hall. The theme of the conference was "The role of Iota Phi Lambda in assuming community responsibilities," which was outlined in the area of social and civic organizations and business by Mrs. Jeanne S. Scott, Pittsburgh, Pa., national president, and in the area of schools by Mrs. Mary P. Bacote, Knoxville, Tenn., assistant regional director.

#### GREETINGS EXTENDED

Greetings were extended by Delta Sigma Theta, Alpha Kap-

pa Alpha, Alpha Phi Omega, Zeta Phi Beta and Sigma Gamma Rho to Mrs. Arlena A. Harrison, Sororities and Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. Response was made by Mrs. M. Cleopatra Crutcher, Southern regional director, Tuskegee, Ala. Music was furnished by Mrs. Olivia Alexander, E. R. Archer of Atlanta, Ga.

#### REGIONAL OFFICERS

Regional officers elected for the ensuing year were Mrs. Mary P. Bacote, assistant regional director; Mrs. Louise Walker, Atlanta, Ga., secretary; Mrs. Arlena Harrison, treasurer, and Mrs. Dellgratia Allen, Tuskegee, journalist. Presentations were made to Mrs. Scott, Mrs. Allen, Mrs. Crutcher, Mrs. Bacote and Mrs. Wadelle Farmer, retiring regional secretary, who is presently serving as national secretary. Other courtesies were received from Zeta Phi Beta, Delta Sigma Theta and Sigma Gamma Rho Sororities; Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Potters Flower Box and Savannah State College. Social activities included a tea

at the Community House, a sight-seeing tour, which ended at the Cocoanut Grove, with dinner and a formal dance at the Lincoln Inn. The conference ended with worship at the St. Matthew Episcopal Church, the Rev. Gustave H. Caution, rector. The 1952 regional conference will be held in



# Iota Phi Lambda Sorority Observes Business Week

This week, April 23-28, Delta Chapter of Iota Phi Lambda Sorority is observing Business Week. Each year in April Iota Phi Lambda celebrates Business Week with a few encouraging young people to enter the field of business.

The celebration was begun with a Typing contest at Carver Vocational school, David T. Howard High school, Reid's Business college, East Point High school, Clark college and Morris Brown college.

Mrs. Maggie Walker, chairman of the typing contest. The prizes will be awarded over Station WERD Saturday afternoon with a special program.

Mrs. Jeannette McPherson Gates who is serving as undergraduate coordinator, spoke to the undergraduates on Saturday afternoon at Morris Brown college.

Mrs. Gates holds a B. S. degree from West Virginia State college; a M. B. A. degree from New York university and is a former accountant instructor of Texas State university, Houston Texas. She is a member of Alpha Rho chapter of New Orleans.

Miss Margaret Williams is president at Morris Brown college and the pledges are Anne E. Lanner, Chaldine Cooke, Memvie Scroggs, Hilda Holt and Leona Salmon.

On Saturday evening at eight o'clock, Iota sorors met at the well appointed home of Mrs. Hattie Harden on Fair street to greet Mrs. Gates. During the evening new members were pledged to the Lometa club of Iota Phi Lambda. Pep songs were sung. After the pledge ceremony, a delicious menu was served. Those enjoying the evening were Mesdames: Sarah Lewis, Reba Sutton, Ruth Naylor, Zenobia Terry, Anne Phillips; Misses Julia Rivers and Evelyn Smith.



## Teachers' Sorority Fetes Governor's Lady

By REVELLA CLAY

ANNAPOLIS, Md. — History was made in this tradition-steeped city Saturday, when Mrs. Theodore R. McKeldin, wife of the Governor of Maryland, was the guest of honor at a tea held in the Governor's Mansion by Alpha Mu Chapter of the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa.

The colorful event marked the first time in the history of the state that a Negro group has held a social affair in the majestic forty-five-room Executive House.

### IN RECEIVING LINE

Receiving with Mrs. McKeldin were Mrs. John Marshall Butler, wife of the Maryland United States Senator who upset the twenty-four-year-old Senatorial reign of the Democrat Millard Tydings in last November's heated campaign; Mrs. Eloise Keller Richardson, chairman of the tea; Mrs. Marion H. Bluit of Washington, D. C., the supreme basileus of the Phi Delta Kappa Sorority, and Mrs. Rachel Brown, Alpha Mu Chapter basileus. On behalf of her chapter, Mrs. Brown presented the Governor's wife a gorgeous bouquet of red roses.

Relaxed informality marked the entire tea, as women browsed throughout the spacious and luxurious receiving parlors of the magnificent mansion, which has ten rooms on its first floor alone. The majority of these first-floor rooms are salons and parlors, and the tea's attendants had access to most of them.

Tea was served in a stately dining parlor hung with blue draperies. The massive table was beautifully appointed with a centerpiece of yellow, pink and white spring flowers and a lace tablecloth. Pouring tea at various times were Mrs. Emma H. Stepney of Annapolis, Md.; Mrs. Kathryn R. Thomas of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Philathea Carter Hall of Baltimore, Md.

### HONORED GUESTS

Honored guests included in addition to Mrs. McKeldin and Mrs. Butler, Mrs. Martin D. Jenkins, wife of the president of Morgan State College; Miss E. Theresa

McIver, Supreme Tamiias of the sorority; Mrs. Miles Connor, wife of the president of Coppin Teachers College; Mrs. Mordecai Johnson, wife of the president of Howard University.

The tea concluded a two-day event which began at twelve noon with a tour of historic points of interest in the city, including the Naval Academy at West Point, and the Hammond Harwood and Chase homes which were built in the sixteenth century, and the beautiful, new Bates High School, secondary educational center for Anne Arundel County.

Among attendants at the precedent-setting event were:

Mrs. Nettie P. Black, Mrs. Emma Anderson, Chester, Pa.; Mrs. Henrietta Thomas, Mrs. Beatrice Hurt, Mrs. Beatrice H. Hall, Mrs. Priscilla W. Baserville, Mrs. Bessie Diggs, Mrs. Clara Harris, Mrs. Edith Bryant, Mrs. Adel Carr, Mrs. Melba Green, Mrs. Amanda Finch, Mrs. Theima Cox, Mrs. Bessie Magruder, Mrs. Bessie Thomas, Mrs. Olivia Carter, Mrs. Cora Holley, Mrs. Annie Jackson, Mrs. William Thomas, Mrs. Evelyn Routh, Mrs. Odell Payne, Mrs. Eleanor Vessels, Mrs. Myrtle Seidon, Mrs. Helen Fisher, Mrs. Leonia Young, Mrs. Lucille Monroe, Mrs. Ollie Sewel, Mrs. Fannie Howard, Mrs. Marie Rorester, Mrs. Fay M. Hershaw, all from Baltimore, Md.

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**PHI DELTA KAPPA'S NEW HEAD STARTS ON '51 PROGRAM.** No sooner was the 27th annual conclave of Phi Delta Kappa, the national teachers sorority, over at Tuskegee institute when its charming newly elected supreme basileus got down to work on the 1951 program. Above, Supreme Basileus Marion H. Bluit points out some civil rights issues that the sorority will campaign for during the year to Mrs. Kathryn R. Thomas, supreme epistoleus. Both women are from Washington, D. C. — (ANP)



# Lady Tubman Opens Door Of Children's Reading Room"

BY JACOB BROWNE

MONROVIA—(ANP)— A unique program was rendered at the Government's Public library last week when Mrs. Sarah Simpson-George, representative and custodian of the national teachers sorority of Phi Delta Kappa of America, presented to the Secretary of Public Instruction a Children's Reading Room.

This room contains 746 books with cards and jackets for the use of the children, and as a gift from Phi Delta Kappa.

The Rev. D. A. A. Elliott, supervising teacher for Montserrado county was master of ceremonies. After a selection by the LFF Band, Lady Antionette Tubman, led to the door by Mrs. George and Dr. Pearson, secretary of public instruction, removed the red and yellow ribbon and officially opened the new room.

Mrs. Edward R. Dudley, a member of the sorority and wife of the American ambassador, unveiled a plaque which bore the name of the sorority, its top officers, and President Truman and Secretary Pearson. Pictures of the officers and members of the sorority directly responsible for its foundation are also on display.

Mrs. George reviewed the circumstance leading to the opening of the room. This began seven years ago, when this sorority, whose motto is "To foster a spirit of sisterhood among teachers and to promote the highest ideals of the teaching profession," as a gesture of good will made this concrete contribution.

It was made clear by Mrs. George that "this Children's Reading Room is a joint project, first on the part of the sorority, the donor of the books, and the government of Liberia, which is responsible for the housing and the librarian."

She said: "I hope the department of public instruction will use this read-room to the fullest extent to further enhance its educational program, by including in its curriculum library periods in the schools in the City of Monrovia."

She concluded: "The old maxim, 'reward sweetens labor,' is indeed true, for today goes down into the history of my short span of life as a happy day, for my eyes have seen the fulfillment of a desire of many years. To have this occasion graced with the spiritual presence of President Tubman and also Lady Tubman, in itself is indeed a sweet reward. We thank you."

Secretary Pearson in most befitting words, accepted the room on behalf of his government. President Tubman who was ill had requested Secretary Pearson to deputize for him. Secretary Pearson made special remarks on behalf of the president.

Greetings were extended from the U. S. library by Dr. Edward Brice, from the UNESCO commission by Prof. Nathaniel Massaquoi, and by Mrs. Ellen Mills Scarbrough, assistant secretary of public instruction.

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## PHI DELTA KAPPA NATIONAL SORORITY



**PHI DELTA KAPPAS MEET**—Representatives of the Southern Region of the Phi Delta Kappa National Sorority are shown at the Public Library, New Orleans, during a recess from their annual meeting, held March 23-24, in

the Dryades Street YMCA and Claiborne Avenue YWCA buildings. Mrs. Marion H. Bluit, Washington, D. C., national president, addressed the open meeting.—Porter Photo.

## Phi Delta Kappas Hold Seventh South Regional

NEW ORLEANS—Delegates from seven states were present at the seventh Southern Regional of the Phi Delta Kappa Sorority held here last week.

Theme of the conference of the professional sorority of school teachers was "Freedom Through Human Relations."

Feature of the conference were two workshops with Marcus B. Rambo, principal of the Douglass Junior High School, Cincinnati, Ohio, and Mrs. Marlon H. Bluit, national president of Phi Delta Kappa, and instructor

at the Parkview Elementary School, Washington, D. C., as consultants.

Mrs. Bluit was also principal speaker at the public meeting held at the Claiborne YWCA Friday night.

Dr. Arenia C. Mallory, principal-founder of the Saints Industrial Literary School at Lexington, Miss., was inducted as the first associate member of the

sorority. Dr. Mallory, outstanding educator and national figure in the fight for women's rights, has been vice president of the National Council of Negro Women for the past twelve years.

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## Sorors Make \$3,000 Grants

CAMDEN, N.J. (ANP) — Miss Mariann Russell, 15-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Russell of New York City, will be attending college in September as will at least 40 other high school girl graduates throughout the United States, due to the 14th annual national scholarship contest of the national sorority of Phi Delta Kappa.

Miss Russell, a June 1951 graduate of Cathedral High School, ranked number one out of 207 students who competed in the annual national competitive examination, consisting of intelligence and achievement college entrance tests, sponsored by the sorority during the spring of 1951. She was sponsored by Theta Chapter of New York City and will receive a \$700 award.

This national professional teachers sorority gave over \$3000 in scholarship awards to 1951 graduates planning to attend college in September, majoring in education.

### Regional Awards

Besides this national award given by the sorority, regional awards are given to the highest winners in regions, other than the winning region.

Miss Lillian Inez Lewis of Toledo, Ohio, sponsored by Chi chapter in Detroit, won in the Midwest West Region. The Southern Regional winner is Miss Alicia E. Hastings, sponsored by Upsilon Chapter, of Tuskegee Institute, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald B. Hastings of Tuskegee, Alabama.

### Chapter Scholarships

Chapter scholarship award winners are:

Gladys Stein, Alpha Chapter, Jersey City; Ann Simmons, and Ernestine Allen, Beta Chapter, Washington, D.C.; Noel Cousins, Gamma Chapter, Baltimore, Md.; Barbara Ann Hicks, Epsilon Chapter, Charleston, W. Va.; V. Natalie Greene, Zeta Chapter, Philadelphia, Pa.; Lillian Warren, Eta Chapter, Atlanta City; Carolyn Brawder, Kappa Chapter, Youngstown, O.; Grace Y. Akin, Mu Chapter, Chicago, Ill.; Jessie Beaton, Nu Chapter, Birmingham, Ala.; Jacqueline Wilson, Xi Chapter, West Chester, Pa.;

Sylvia Lewis, Pi Chapter, Trenton, N.J.; Marion Moore, Sigma Chapter, Cincinnati, Ohio; Bessie White, Tau Chapter, Indianapolis, Ind.; Gwendolyn Harris, Alpha Alpha Chapter, Kansas City, Mo.;

Patricia Flowers, Alpha Beta Chapter, Nashville, Tenn.; Betty Lewis, Alpha Gamma Chapter, Jacksonville, Fla.; Florence Gill, Alpha Epsilon Chapter, Atlanta, Ga.; Emma Jean Green, Alpha Eta Chapter, Evansville, Ind.;

Beulah Cox, James Johnson, Alpha Theta Chapter, New Orleans, La.; Janet Love, Alpha Kappa Chapter, Tulsa, Oklahoma; Bettie A. Conner; and Mamie Sue Burton, Alpha Rho Chapter, Dallas, Tex.; Mealthia Simpson and Bettye Washington, Alpha Sigma Chapter, Fort Worth, Tex.; and Gloria Walker, Alpha Phi Chapter, Pensacola, Fla.

The chapter scholarships awards arrange from \$25. to \$150.

The National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa in addition to giving the above named awards, will renew awards to former winners now attending colleges of their choice, namely: Beulah Kibble, University of Cincinnati; Barbara Kaplan, Hunter College, N.Y.; and Ethel Mae Sanderson, Alabama State College.

# Phi Delta Kappa Represented At Paralysis Meet

Boston, Mass. — (ANP)

Mrs. Hilda G. Bryant of Beta chapter, Washington, represented the national sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, professional teacher sorority, at the recent Seventh Annual Convention of Women's Activities of the National Foundation of Infantile Paralysis.

Ray H. Barrows, executive director of the national foundation, welcomed more than 100 women advisors from every state in the union and Alaska to the meeting which was held recently in the Plaza hotel here.

One project of the national program of the professional sorority is the conducting of a polio clinic at the John A. Andrew hospital, Tuskegee, Ala.

Speakers at the convention expressed new hope for the prevention of infantile paralysis, and more hope for patients who live in iron lungs.

Dr. H. E. Van Riper, medical director of the foundation, discussed the progress in research, patient care, educational programs and plans for an enlarged March of Dimes program in January, 1952.

He reported that a preventative vaccine that works in animals has been developed and the virus of virus causing polio have been classified.

Basil O'Connor, president of the National Foundation, spoke on the subject, "The Challenge for 1952," and said:

"The past four years, including 1951, have been the four worst polio years in the history of the United States. The National Foundation chapters provided March of Dimes aid to 132,000 victims of the disease in that four year period."

Guests at the convention also heard a former polio victim, Mrs. Erwin Griswold, wife of the dean of Harvard university Law School, relate the story of her fight for recovery and rehabilitation.

Highlight of the convention program was a visit to the Mary

MacArthur Respiratory Center, at Wellesley Hills, Mass. Miss Helen Hayes, celebrated actress and National Women's chairman of the National Foundation, dedicated the center a year ago in memory of her daughter, who died of polio in 1949.

Miss Elaine Whitelaw, executive director of Women's activities, presided over the convention.





**PRESENTS CHECK**—Mrs. Olivia S. Henry of Philadelphia, past Grand Basileus of Phi Delta Kappa Sorority, which met in Tuskegee Institute, Ala., during the holidays, is seen presenting a check for \$400 to Dr. John A. Chenault of the John A. Andrews Hospital for its infantile paralysis unit.

## Teachers Sorority Runs Children's Reading Room

**TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala.**—chairman of the sorority's Liberian (ANP) — When Phi Delta Kappa, the national teachers sorority, held its 27th anniversary conclave at Tuskegee Institute recently, sorors praised the establishment of a Children's Reading Room in Monrovia, Liberia, as one of the group's outstanding achievements of 1950.

This new room, opened in July is located in a Liberian government public library. It carries a project and idea conceived in 1945 under Mrs. Gertrude A. Robinson, New York, then national basileus.

Supervisor of this reading room is Mrs. Sarah Simpson George, only soror on foreign soil. Books for age group, 4-14, are available to children in this room. They have at their command fiction books, reference books and encyclopedias.

In the future, Phi Delta Kappa plans to supply audio-visual and visual aids such as sound projector screen and films for the room. The sorority also plans to send a new shipment of books each year to the children's center.

Mrs. Helen Maxwell, basileus of Theta chapter, New York, and

project, reported the activities of the reading room to the convention. In Mrs. George, the reading room has one of Africa's leading educators. She is the founder and principal of the Pioneer Community school in Liberia and also principal of the Liberian Government Kindergarten.

Recently she was knighted by President William V. S. Tubman of Liberia as a "Knight Official of Liberia, Order of African Redemption."

The daughter of a former member of the African nation's house of representatives, Mrs. George has participated in the following civic activities:

Secretary, Woman's Culture Group Monrovia; chairman, Liberian delegation, International Congress of Women held in Paris; chairman, entertainment and housing committee, Centennial Committee for the Republic of Liberia.

First president, Liberian Women's league, and founder and president, Liberian Women's Social and Political movement.

## Phi Delta Kappas Give To Polio Hospital at 27th Annual Conclave

**TUSKEGEE, Ala.**—The twenty-seventh anniversary conclave of Phi Delta Kappa Sorority was held on the campus of Tuskegee Institute, Dec. 27-29, with Upsilon Chapter as host, and Mrs. Olivia S. Henry of Philadelphia presiding.

Highlights of the sessions included the news that the opening of the Children's Reading Room in a Government library in Monrovia, Liberia, was a reality, completing the dream of the organization. Mrs. Sarah Simpson George, a member of the sorority, and the founder and principal of the Pioneer Community School in Liberia, is supervisor of this room. This project was started in 1945.

### SCHOLARSHIPS GIVEN

During the past year scholarships to the amount of \$2,500 were given; \$500 was spent for camperships; with \$100 each to the NAACP and the National Council of Negro Women. At the banquet \$100 was presented to J. J. Flood for the United Negro College Fund.

It was reported that more than \$60,000 has been donated by the national organization to the March of Dimes Fund, part of which will go toward the upkeep of the Infantile Paralysis Center at John A. Andrew Memorial Hospital, in which the sorority maintains a recreation room. A check for \$400 was presented to Dr. John W. Chenault as a gift from the group, by Supreme Basileus Mrs. Henry.

Mrs. Rosetta Barrett, basileus of Zeta Chapter, Philadelphia, was voted the most outstanding soror for 1950. Dr. Arenia C. Malory was named an associate member of the organization.

A number of gala social affairs sparked the gathering.

### NEW OFFICERS

New officers for 1951 are Mrs. Marion H. Bluit, supreme basileus, Washington; Miss Leona G. Davis, first anti-basileus, Philadelphia; Mrs. Laura B. McCray, second anti-basileus, Tuskegee;

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The 1951 conclave will be held in Richmond, Va., with Alpha Zeta Chapter as hostess, December, 1951.

### IN ATTENDANCE

The following persons attended the conclave: Cleo Nelms, Marveline Cray, Lella Butler, Clara M. Wilson, Helen S. Brown and Mamie Brooks, Nu Chapter, Birmingham; Anna L. Davidson, Rosetta Barrett, and Talitha S. Saunders, Sigma Chapter, Cincinnati; Vera J. Sadler, Blanche Allen, Grace Williams, Emma Dean Boyette, Thelma D. Parker and Jessie E. McCathern, Chi Chapter, Detroit; Mayola Senior and Julia Boyd, Kappa Chapter, Youngstown, Ohio; Leona Davis, Rosetta Barrett, Olivia S. Henry, Gertrude J. Bissrup, Naomi Y. Taswell, Lillian G. Brown, Marie A. Washington, Cordelia B. McCants, Marie A. Boston, Mae T. Bernard, Emma L. Major and Elaine Thomas, Zeta Chapter, Philadelphia; Ruth Lambright, Alpha Omega Chapter, Tampa, Fla.; Pearl Hall, Alpha Rho Chapter, Dallas Tex.; Helen Maxwell, Grace Racker, G. B. Long, Alberta Person, Ann Yearwood, Julia A. Daniels, Cleo Daniels, Edith M. Stephens, Harriet M. Reed and Eugenia V. Griffin, Theta Chapter, Brooklyn; Julia Barnes, Eloise Brooks and Gladys Nunnery, Alpha Chapter, Jersey City, N. J.; Ethel Hawkins, Hilda Bryant, Marion Bluit, Kathryn Thomas,

Minnie D. Bell, Delilah W. Pierce, Mattie S. Shippen, Anna M. Fortune, Iris Brown, Bessie R. Parker, Gladys R. Watson and Agnes Spangler, Beta Chapter, Washington, D. C.; Viola Williams and Modeste L. Bolles, Alpha Phi, Pensacola, Fla.; Maud W. McLeod, May Hendricks, Susan D. Eveleigh and Alice G. Cuff, Iota Chapter, Atlantic City, N. J.; Ruth Hill and Gladia Harris, Alpha Sigma Chapter, Fort Worth, Tex.; Johnnie Eubanks, Alpha Delta Chapter, Miami, Fla.; Arminthia Matney, Virginia W. Cooley and Julia B. Hopkins, Epsilon Chapter, Huntington, W. Va.; Ethel Lambert and Ora Lee Thomas, Tau Chapter, Indianapolis, Ind.; Elizabeth Gasikin, Grace Bouldin, Valeria Rinehart, Rosetta Elliott, Thelma S. Powell, Louvenia W. Graham, Edna P. Randall, Viola D. McDaniel and A. E. Powell, Mu Chapter, Chicago; Marie Roberts, Alpha Tau Chapter, Roanoke, Va.; M. F. Maples, A. H. Johnson and Marie Finch, Alpha Epsilon Chapter, Atlanta, Ga.; F. I. Watson, Helyn B. Johns, Nan Allison Gordon and Anna B. Ligon, Alpha Beta Chapter, Nashville, Tenn.; Adrienne Wesson, M. I. Conner, E. T. McIver, Alice Fauntleroy, Catherine Nelson, Delores Hunt and Oramie Epps, Gamma Chapter, Baltimore; Janice Johnson, Alpha Theta Chapter, New Orleans, La.; Lottie Johnson, Lillian Goings, Rachael C. McNeil, Aleine Sheffie Walker and Jennie A. Jackson, Eta Chapter, Camden, N. J.; Gwendolyn Brown, B. Doreen Jolly, Roberta G. Lewis, Betty Cuff, Rachael W. Ray, Millicent B. Richardson, Louise Phillips, Emma Anderson, Edith Valentine, Marie D. Foreman and Edith B. Delph, Xi Chapter, Chester, Pa.; Dora Williams and Mamie Johnson, Psi Chapter, Mobile, Ala.; Frances Brodley, Beatrice Wright, Nettie B. Black, Hattie Bailey, Jimmie Ewell, Clara F. Simpson, Beatrice Armstrong and Lorraine Hamilton, Rho Chapter, Wilmington, Del.; Thelma Bryant, Alpha Lambda, Richmond, Va.; Mary Lee Howard, Alpha Nu Chapter, St. Louis, Mo.; Marion Belle, Alpha Zeta Chapter; Helen Lee Robinson, Mirian C. Nichols and Doris M. Dobbins, Pi Chapter; Ruby Anna Kirklin, Irene E. Smith and Gerelene B. Gardner, Alpha Gamma Chapter; Lillian Jones and Zula M. Livingston, Alpha Upsilon Chapter; Rachael Brown, Alpha Mu Chapter, and Winifred Clark and Helen Douglas, Alpha Pi Chapter.

## Phi Delta Kappa

**Votes A Dime**

**Tax For NCNW**

WASHINGTON, (AP) —

Marion, newly elected president of Phi Delta Kappa sorority, announced here last week that the Greek letter organization had voted at its annual conclave in Tuskegee a per capita tax of 10 cents to support the program of the National Council of Negro Women.

The announcement was made at the recent meeting of the NCNW's executive committee. Phi Delta has always been on of the chief supporters of the NCNW program, and has made large contributions to the extension of its work. Preliminary plans for the tax were made by Mrs. Gertrude Robinson of New York and Mrs. Olivia Henry of Philadelphia, predecessors of Mrs. Bluit.



## Phi Delta Kappas E H. Bluff New Head

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala. — (ANP) — Phi Delta Kappa the national teacher's sorority last week held its 27th anniversary conclave on the campus of Tuskegee institute.

Sorors from 34 chapters elected Mrs. Marion H. Bluff of Washington, D. C., the new supreme basileus to succeed Mrs. Olivia S. Henry.

Theme of the conclave was "Better schools—better world—Phi Delta Kappa's place in it."

Outstanding features of the meeting included the announcing of numerous gifts to civic, health and educational causes by the sorority during the year, special awards and scholarships, and a public meeting featuring a talk by Mrs. Henry. The delegates also passed a number of resolutions for educational and civic improvements.

Heading the list of philanthropic work done by the sorority during the past year was the opening of a children's reading room overseas in Monrovia, Liberia. This room, which provides a variety of books for young people, 4 to 14, is supervised by Mrs. Sarah Simpson George, one of Liberia's leading women.

On the domestic front civic activities were spotlighted by the donation of more than \$60,000 to the March of Dimes fund, part of which aids in the upkeep of the John A. Andrew Memorial hospital's infantile paralysis center.

At this center, the sorority maintains a recreation room. Mrs. Henry presented a check of \$400 as a gift to Dr. John W. Chenault while sorors visited the room. The conclave also presented more than 200 kits to patients at the Veterans hospital at Tuskegee.

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During the conclave, the sorority sponsored two activities for the public, a radio program and an open meeting.

On the air, Mrs. Henry, the supreme basileus, told the WJHO radio audience about the sorority's activities. She was interviewed by Mrs. Laura B. McCray, second anti-basileus, Tuskegee, and Mrs. Cleopatra S. Morse, dean of pledges, Upsilon chapter, Tuskegee.

Mrs. Henry delivered the main address of the public meeting at Institute chapel. She spoke on "Education for Maturity." Mrs. Laura M. McCray, Tuskegee, mistress of ceremonies, introduced Mrs. Henry.

Dr. I. A. Derbigny, vice president, of Tuskegee, delivered greetings from the host school, and various Greek letter organizations also welcomed Phi Delta Kappa. Miss Leona G. Davis, first anti-basileus, Zeta chapter, Philadelphia, responded.

The social calendar included a get-together at Teachers lounge, a formal dance at Logan hall, sponsored by the hostess Tuskegee chapter, an informal dance at the Propeller club by the Interfraternal council, and a closed banquet at Tompkins hall.

Resolutions passed called for more civil rights legislation, a fair employment practices law, federal aid to education, better housing for Negroes, continued support to the March of Dimes campaigns;

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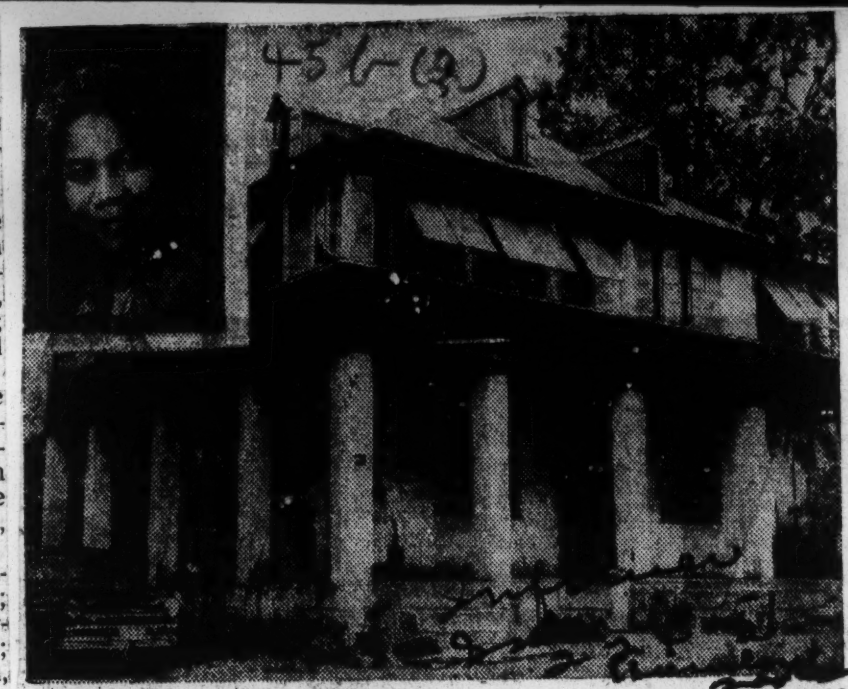
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# PHI DELTA KAPPA SORORITY OF U. S. PRESENTS READING ROOM TO CHILDREN OF MONROVIA, LIBERIA

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*Sat. 12-8-51*  
By Jacob Browne

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ATLANTA WOMEN HONORED — Mrs. Addie Holt Johnson, right, president of Alpha Epsilon chapter of Phi Delta Kappa Sorority, is shown presenting gifts to three outstanding Atlanta educators. The presentations climaxed the youth

talent program at Big Bethel Church December 2. Miss Ella Tate, Miss Bazoline E. Usher, and Mrs. Margaret Bowen were cited for "Outstanding Educational Services to The Community." — (Perry Photo)



## Named to Guide Affairs of National Phi Delta Kappa Sorority



National Officers of the Phi Delta Kappa Sorority for 1951-52, named at the 27th anniversary conclave in Tuskegee, Ala., last week, are left to right: Julia A. Barnes, founder; Marion H. Bluitt, supreme basileus; Kath-

ryn R. Thomas, supreme epistoleus; Anna L. Davidson, executive director and parliamentarian; Leona G. Davis, 1st anti-basileus; Olivia S. Henry,

anti-basileus; Laura B. McCray, 2nd anti-basileus; Gwendolyn national program director. Not Brown, supreme tamiouches; Mattie S. Connor, past supreme

tamias; Lillian Goings, national publicity director; Grace Racker, shown in picture are Grace Bouldin, supreme grammateus; Teresa McIver, supreme tamias;

Valeria E. Rhinehart, editor-in-chief "Krinon"; Mayola Senior, national director of public relations; Gladys Nunnery, guest founder.

## Phi Delta Kappas Meet In National Conclave At Tuskegee Institute

TUSKEGEE, Ala. — "Better Schools—Better World—Phi Delta Kappa's Place In It," will be the theme of the twenty-seventh anniversary conclave of the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, when they assemble on the campus of Tuskegee Institute, so rich in heritage and tradition, Dec. 26-27-28.

Headquarters for the executive meeting, Dec. 26, and for the general sessions will be Trade "A"

Building. Registration will be held Dec. 26, 7:30-9 P. M. and Dec. 27, at 9 A. M.

The first general session of the conclave will begin at 10 A. M.

### BASILEUS TO SPEAK

Mrs. Olivia S. Henry, supreme basileus of the sorority, will be guest speaker at the open meeting, Wednesday evening, Dec. 27, in the Institute Chapel. Mrs. Henry, a school teacher in Philadelphia, is well known in religious, education, and fraternal affairs. She is affiliated with the board of directors of the National Council of Negro Women, and has recent-

ly received an appointment as field evangelist of the First District of the African Methodist Episcopal Church.

Among the educational activities that have been planned by the hostess chapter, Upsilon, is a motorcade through the campus of the institute; a visit to the Infantile Paralysis Center, the John A. Andrews Memorial Hospital, George Washington Carver Museum, Booker T. Washington Tomb, and many other sites of interest.

Upsilon Chapter will be hostess to the conclave at a formal dance on Dec. 28. The closed banquet will be held Friday evening at Thompsons Hall.

Hosts and hostesses for other social activities will be the Intrafraternal Council and other sororities and fraternities.

### TEACHER SORORS AT TUSKEGEE

TUSKEGEE INSTITUTE, Ala. — Sorors from 34 chapters elected Mrs. Marion H. Bluitt of Washington, D. C., the new supreme basileus of Phi Delta Kappa, the national teacher's sorority last week during its 27th anniversary conclave. She succeeds Mrs. Olivia S. Henry.

Other officers for 1951 are Miss Leona G. Davis, first anti basileus, Philadelphia; Mrs. Laura B. McCray, second anti-basileus, Tuskegee; Mrs. Anna L. Davidson, third anti basileus, Cincinnati.

Mrs. Grace Bouldin, supreme grammateus, Chicago; Mrs. Kathryn R. Thomas, supreme epistoleus, Washington; Miss Gwendolyn A. Brown, Chester, Pa., supreme tamiouches; Mrs. Teresa McIver, Baltimore, supreme tamias.

Mrs. Grace H. Racker, Brooklyn, national program director; Mrs. Valeria E. Rhinehart, editor-in-chief of the Krinon, Chicago; Miss Lillian A. Goings, Camden, N. J., national publicity director. Mrs.

Olivia S. Henry, Philadelphia, executive director and parliamentarian.

Members at Large, Miss Cleo Daniels, New York City; Mrs. Helen Johnson, Nashville and Mrs. Rosetta Elliott, Chicago.

Board of Trustees, Mrs. Marian Bluitt, Chairman, Washington; Mrs. Anna Davidson, Cincinnati; Mrs. Florence Steel Hunt, Jersey City, N. J. and Mrs. Laura B. McCray, Tuskegee.

The 1951 Conclave will be held in December in Richmond, Va., with Alpha Zeta chapter as hostess.



# Polio Scholarship, Veteran Aid Mark Phi Delta Kappa Conclave

TUSKEGEE Ala. — A report given to the NAACP as well as that Phi Delta Kappa Sorority's gift to the March of Dimes fund has exceeded \$60,000 and that scholars from the National College Fund and veterans have shared in its budget marked the 27th anniversary conclave here recently.

In addition the dream of the organization was realized when it was reported by Mrs. Helen Maxwell basileus of Theta Chapter, New York City, and chairman of the Life Plan Project of the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa that another project, a children's reading room, opened in July 1950 in a government library in Monrovia, Liberia, West Africa.

This project was started in 1945 under the former basileus, Mrs. Gertrude A. Robinson of New York City. The organization plans to fit the room with all audio-visual and visual aids including sound projector screen and films.

The 27th Anniversary Conclave was held on the campus of Tuskegee Institute, December 27, 28, 29, with headquarters in Trade A Building. The Conclave theme "Better schools — better world—Phi Delta Kappa's place in it," was very ably carried through by the sorors assembled.

## Five New Chapters

It was reported at this session that five new chapters were made during 1950; namely Alpha Rho, Dallas; Alpha Sigma, Ft. Worth; Alpha Tau Roanoke; Alpha Upsilon, Danville, Ky.; Alpha Phi, Pensacola.

At the first business session of the organization which began at 10 o'clock, Wednesday, December 27, it is reported that more than \$60,000 had been donated by the national organization to the March of Dimes Fund, part of which will go toward the upkeep of the Infantile Paralysis Center at John A. Andrew Memorial Hospital in which the sorority maintains a recreation room. This room was visited by the sorors on Friday morning in their motorcade and Dr. John W. Chenault was presented with \$400 as a gift from the group by Mrs. Henry.

During 1950 \$2500 in national and local scholarships were given by this group to deserving high school graduates who expect to make teaching their vocation. More than \$500 was spent for camperships for youth during 1950.

## NAACP Aided

A \$100 contribution toward the equalization of salary program was

given to the NAACP as well as \$100 to the National Council of Negro Women.

At the banquet held on Friday evening \$100 was presented to Mr. J. J. Flood in behalf of the organization, a donation to the United Negro College Fund.

## Kits to Veterans

On Thursday evening the visitors to the Conclave presented over 200 kits to patients in the Veterans Hospital at Tuskegee.

Those attending were:

Cleo Nelms, Marveline Gray, Leila Butler, Clara M. Wilson, Helen S. Brown, Mamie Brooks, Nu Chapter, Birmingham; Anna L. Davidson, Retta Thompson, Talitha S. Saunders, Sigma Chapter, Cincinnati;

Vera J. Sadler, Blanche Allen, Grace Williams, Emma Dean Boyette, Thelma D. Parker, Jessie E. McCathern, Chi Chapter, Detroit; Moyola Senior, Julia Boyd, Kappa Chapter, Youngstown, Ohio; Leona Davis, Rosetta Barrett, Olivia S. Henry, Gertrude J. Bissrup, Naomi Y. Taswell, Lillian G. Brown, Marie A. Washington, Cordelia B. McCants, Marie A. Boston, Mae T. Bernard, Emma L. Major, Elayne Thomas, Zeta Chapter, Philadelphia; Ruth Lambright, Alpha Omega Chapter, Tampa, Florida; Pearl Hall Alpha Rho Chapter, Dallas, Texas; Helen Maxwell, Grace Racker, G. B. Long, Alberta Person, Ann Yearwood, Julia A. Daniels, Cleo Daniels, Edith M. Stephens, Harriet M. Reed, Eugenia V. Griffin, Theta Chapter, Brooklyn; Julia Barnes, Eloise Brooks, Gladys Nunnery, Alpha Chapter, Jersey City;

## Atlantic City

Ethel Hawkins, Hilda Bryant, Marion Bluett, Kathryn Thomas, Minnie D. Bell, Delilah W. Pierce, Mattie S. Shippen, Anna M. Fortune, Iris Brown, Bessie R. Parker, Gladys R. Watson, Agnes Spangler, Beta Chapter, Washington, D.C.; Viola Williams, Modeste L. Bolles, Alpha Phi, Pensacola, Fla.; Maud W. McLeod, May Hendricks, Susan D. Eveleigh, Alice G. Cuff, Iota Chapter, Atlantic City, N.J.; Ruth Hill, Gladia Harris, Alpha Sigma Chapter, Fort Worth, Texas; Johnnie Eubanks, Alpha Delta Chapter, Miami, Florida; Arminthia Matney, Virginia W. Cooley, Julia B. Hopkins, Epsilon Chapter, Huntington, W. Va.; Ethel Lambert, Ora Lee Thomas, Tau Chapter, Indianapolis, Ind.;

## Roanoke

Elizabeth Gaskin, Grace Bouldin, Valeria Rinehart, Rosetta Elliott, Thelma S. Powell, Louvenia W. Graham, Edna P. Randall, Viola P. McDaniel, A. E. Powell, Mu Chapter, Chicago; Marie Roberts, Alpha Tau Chapter, Roanoke, Virginia; F. F. Maples, A. H. Johnson, Marie Finch, Alpha Epsilon Chapter, Atlanta, Ga.; F. I. Watson, Helen B. Johns, Nan Allison Gordon, Anna B. Ligon, Alpha Beta Chapter, Nashville, Tennessee;

## Baltimore

Adrienne Wesson, M. I. Conner, E. T. McIver, Alice Fauntleroy, Catherine Nelson, Delores Hunt, Oramgie Epps, Gamma Chapter, Baltimore; Janice Johnson, Alpha Theta Chapter, New Orleans, La.; Lottie Johnson, Lillian Goings, Rho

Chapter, Chester, Penna.; chael C. McNeill, Aleine Shaffie Walker, Jennie A. Jackson, Eta Chapter, Camden, N.J.; Gwendolyn Brown, B. Doreen Jolly, Roberta G. Lewis, Betty Cuff, Rachael W. Ray, Milliecent B. Richardson, Louise Phillips, Emma Anderson, Edith Valentine, Marie D. Foreman, Edith B. Delph, Xi Chapter, Chester, Penna.;

## Richmond

Dora Williams, Mamie Johnson, Psi Chapter, Mobile, Alabama; Frances Brodley, Beatrice Wright, Nettie B. Black, Hattie Bailey, Jimmie Ewell, Clara F. Simpson, Beatrice Armstrong, Lorraine Hamilton, Rho Chapter, Wilmington, Delaware; Thelma Bryant, Alpha Lambda, Richmond, Va.; Mary Lee Howard, Alpha Nu Chapter, St. Louis, Mo.; Marion Belle, Alpha Zeta Chapter; Rubby Anna Kirklin, Irene E. Smith, Gereline B. Gardner, Alpha Gamma Chapter, Lillian Johns, Zula M. Livingston, Alpha Upsilon Chapter; Rachael Brown, Alpha Mu Chapter; Winifred Clark, Helen Douglas, Alpha Pi Chapter.

# Educational Workshop To Highlight Teachers Meet

RICHMOND—A series of Educational Workshops will highlight the 28th Anniversary Conclave of the National Sorority of Phi Delta Kappa, the National Teachers Professional Sorority, convening here, December 26-30, inclusive, at Virginia Union University. More than 350 delegates from chapters located throughout the country are expected to attend their annual confab.

Workshop No. 1, "Intergroup Relations—Our Present Frontier," will be held on Friday afternoon 2-3 p. m., with Mrs. Marion H. Bluit, Supreme Basileus of the Sorority from Washington, D. C., as Consultant. It will be in the form of a Panel Discussion. Discussants will be Mrs. Ruth Mueller of N. C. N. W.,—"Women's Groups;" Mrs. Thelma Powell Gray, principal of the Keith School, Chicago—"School of Schools;" Mrs. Onedia Cockrell, director of the Gardens Nursery and Kindergarten School of Chicago—"Home-Parent-Teacher Relationships;" Mrs. Olivia S. Henry,

Pastor of Tree Lane Church, Philadelphia—"Standpoint of Religion;" Mrs. Elsie G. Lewis, Principal of Webster Davis School, Richmond—"Broadening the Frontier of School Activity;" Mrs. Cordelia McCants, teacher in Philadelphia, Pa., School System—"Open Mindedness;" Miss Dorothy Richardson, executive secretary of Central YW-CA, Richmond—"Standpoint YW-CA."

A general Educational Forum, with Dr. Ellis O. Knox, Professor of Education, Howard University as guest speaker, will be held on the same afternoon from 3 until 4 p. m. He will speak on the topic, "American Education Under Fire."

A motorcade to view the city will be held Thursday morning, 8:30-10:00. Business sessions will be held 9-5 on Saturday, December 29.

Mrs. Marion H. Bluit, Supreme Basileus, will be guest speaker at the Moore Street Baptist Church, Dr. Gordon B. Hancock, Pastor, on Sunday morning, December 30. Her topic will be "What Are You Giving to Life?"

Among the social events listed are "Get Acquainted Hour," Cocktail Party, Banquet, and a Formal Dance. Mrs. Marion Bell Saunders is Basileus of Alpha Zeta Chapter, the hostess Chapter of Richmond. Mrs. Nannie B. Christian is Conclave Chairman.



# Race Issue Splits Iowa U, Sorority

By L. F. PALMER, JR.

IOWA CITY, Iowa — Mrs. Grace Marken, president of the University of Iowa chapter of Phi Gamma Nu, professional commerce sorority, revealed Friday she has junked all her connections with the group because Miss Gwendolyn Moore, Negro junior from Manly, Iowa, was refused membership solely on the basis of race.

Another coed, Pat Vannice, withdrew from the sorority's pledge list "when they told me they didn't know how a colored girl could benefit from the sorority and, besides, it would make it very awkward at mixers with the commerce fraternity if Miss Moore were initiated."

The campus branch of NAACP, through its president, Robert A. Ellis, Jr., of Kansas City, Mo., announced it would sponsor immediately a campus-wide probe of race discrimination and would invite other student groups to participate.

The failure of the Daily Iowan, campus newspaper, and WSUI, campus radio station, to air a letter condemning the sorority's action kept this instance of discrimination unnoticed for more than a month, Mrs. Marken said.

She said she resigned Oct. 25 and several days later Miss Vannice offered the letter for publication in an effort to get the matter before the public. No action was taken by the Daily Iowan or WSUI. A wire service reporter "broke" the story Friday.

It was learned that Phi Gamma Nu struck from its constitution in 1947 a clause that barred Negroes.

"However," Miss Vannice said, "I was informed that the members agreed to uphold the tradition rather than the letter of the constitution and not admit Negroes."

Mrs. Marken told the Defender the sorority's national council has

"advised" local chapters to exclude Negroes. The Iowa chapter voted nine to one for the race bar. As presiding officer, Mrs. Marken did not vote.

In a formal statement, the University of Iowa's president, Virgil M. Hancher, expressed the hope that "progress toward the elimination of racial and religious discrimination may continue."

The university's chief executive said "the university has no policies or regulations which discriminate on a basis of race or creed."

Fifteen Negro and white students and faculty members late Friday applied for a permit from the city clerk's office to distribute 1,000 handbills which charge: "It is a policy of the university to hush-up such incidents..." and "It is the policy of the Daily Iowan to participate in the hush-up."

It takes five days for such a permit to clear the clerk's office.

In her letter to the Daily Iowan, after exposing the race bar in Phi Gamma Nu, Miss Vannice asked, "Is this situation going to be allowed to exist? Are we, who are striving to make this a world that is free, with equality for all, going to let this be hushed up and smoothed over like so many other distasteful incidents are on this campus? Or are we going to do something about it?"

The Daily Iowan, in defense printed the full text of the handbill Saturday and its new editor, James MacNair, denied that the Iowan had refused to print the letter.

A spokesman for the group sponsoring the handbill, however,

said, "The only reason the incident was printed in the Daily Iowan was the fact that an Associated Press reporter wrote the story last Thursday night. Then the Iowan realized that newspapers throughout the state would have access to the story."

Sidney G. Winter, dean of the college of commerce, said he does not regard the college as "officially involved in the present issue."

As a "Big Ten" school, the University of Iowa is a sister institution of the University of Illinois which this year selected Miss Clarice Davis as Homecoming Queen.



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DR. RUTH HARRIS

Dr. Ruth M. Harris, president of Stowe Teachers College, was elected a vice-president of Pi Lambda, national honorary association for women in education, at the association's annual meeting yesterday on the Cornell University campus, Ithaca, N. Y. She lives at 4735 Lewis Pl.

Mrs. Beulah B. Tatum, assistant professor of education at Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, was elected president. Dr. Harris also is a member of the Mayor's Council on Human Relations.



## Theta Nu Sigma Is Budding Sorority

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HOUSTON, Tex. — Theta Nu Sigma, the national sorority of the National Beauty Culturists League founded five years ago by Cordelia Greene Johnson, is a "Budding" sorority of artists and experts in the field of beauty culturists. *Continued*

Its chapters are now working under the guidance of Le Ora Hodge, basileus, Costella D. Coles, dean of pledgees, and Cordelia Greene Johnson, grand supreme basileus with a full program including Founders Day celebration, Finer Womanhood Week, work with National Beauty Culturists League on its national project "The March of Dimes." *Sub 51*

Other national officers are: Mayme Tilghman, Bessie Mercer Freeman, Lola Wallace, Elsie W. Day, Carolyn Dishmond, Ethora Hicks, Evelyn Benston, Eugene Johnson, and D. A. Julius.



# Over 200 Zetas Attend 30th National Meeting

NEW ORLEANS. — (ANP) — More than 200 Zeta Phi Beta sorors from almost every state in the union were here last week attending the 30th anniversary of the Greek lettered sorority which was in session from Dec. 26-30. Dr. Nancy B. Woolridge was outstanding as national grand basileus.

A board meeting was held at the opening at Dillard university and on the following Wednesday the national officers held a caucus at the same place while the YMCA was utilized for the registration of delegates.

Theme of the convention was "Democracy Human Relations and World Peace."

The new national officers in attendance were Marion H. Dillard, Dallas, Tex.; Vivan R. Hayes St. Louis, Mo.; Elizabeth G. Byrd, Richmond, Va.; Chrystine Cooper Randolph, Atlanta; Beatrice Mayo, Baltimore; Ruth Cotton Sherlock, New York; Maria Nero Tarver, Lancaster, Pa.; Ida B. King, Gary, Ind.; Arizona Stemmons, Philadelphia; and Luelia W. Harrison, Houston, Tex. Welcoming the conclave to the Crescent City was Soror Alice A. Fassitt basileus, Alpha Gamma chapter of ZPBS, Inc.

Soror Lou Swarz took to the air on Monday and Tuesday mornings over Station WMRY and told of the proposed plans of ZPBS to effect their long range program.

Most striking of the exhibits was that of the "workshop" in charge of Soror Zenobia Malarcher Johnson. It depicted the highways to be travelled in order that the "Greeks" might accomplish their set tasks.

Topics stressed were "Administrative Procedures and Techniques" which have a direct bearing on the services offered by the national officers; "Leadership and Group Dynamics," intended to interpret strengthen and expand Zeta through service; and "Human Relations in Action," intended to prevent juvenile delinquency and encourage recreation for the aged and young as well.

A public program was held at

Xavier university on the evening of Dec. 28. Soror Ellabella Davis, nationally known coloratura, was featured in a musical recital.

Other items on the social calendar called for a "Christmas Fiesta in a Creole Town," was given at the Rosenwald hall. This was followed by a sight-seeing tour on Saturday afternoon.

A highlight of the affair was a speech made by Dr. Dorothy Ferebee, president of the National Council of Negro Women on Wednesday night.

A closed banquet at Hayes restaurant brought the convention to an end.

Outstanding sorors who attended the meeting were Adeline Smith Carmen, supervisor of nurses at Harlem hospital in New York; Ruth Thibodeaux, Shreveport, La.; Mary W. Stewart, Detroit; Evelyn Pop, Durham, N. C.; Arizona C. Steemons, Philadelphia; Lou Swarz, New York; Beatrice A. Mayor, Atlanta; Ruth Cotton Sherlock, New York; Eola Lyons Baker and Gertrude Jimson, New Orleans; Julia West Hamilton and Esther Peyton, Washington.

# Zetas Re-elect Dr. Woolridge; Award \$6,000 in Scholarships

NEW ORLEANS, La.—Dr. Nancy B. Woolridge, professor of English at Hampton Institute, was re-elected grand basileus of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority at the 30th annual meeting here last week.

Other officers named were: Marion Dillard, Dallas, Tex., first anti-basileus; Marian Baker, New Orleans, second anti-basileus; Elizabeth Byrd, Richmond, Va., third anti-basileus; Ozora Wysinger, North Carolina, grammateus; Susie Miles, Washington, D.C., tamiast; Ida B. King, Chicago, Ill., parliamentarian; Arizona Stemmons, Philadelphia, chairman of the executive board; Ann Frazier, Chicago, chairman of trustees; and Ann Jordan, Thelma Downs, Ruth Sherlock and M. Madry, trustees.

## \$6,000 in Scholarships

Announcing that \$6,000 in scholarships were awarded this year, the executive board set up a program to include more projects working with youth and the aged; "La Cheerios," and to stress Zeta woman in defense during this period of mobilization.

These projects are carried on under direction of Lillian Fitzhugh of Washington, Phyllis O'Kelly of Peaks Turnout, Va., and Vashti Goodman of Greensboro, N.C. La Cheerios was organized as a national project by Lou Swarz some years ago in New York City, was adopted as a national project by Zeta in 1947 and sends out thousands of cheer cards to hospitals all over the country every month.

## Miner Shares Cup

The "Esther Peyton Award" for 1950, given for excellence of program and campus activities in undergraduate chapters, was won by Alpha Alpha chapter of Chicago and Kappa Alpha chapter of Miner Teachers College, Washington. The award, a silver loving cup, will remain in custody of the Chicago chapter for a year and then be sent to the Miner Teachers College chapter the following year.

## Life Members Present

The sessions were attended by 4 life members: Arizona Stemmons, one of the founders; Eola Baker, Gertrude Jimson and Esther Peyton. Ellabella Davis, concert artist,

and Sallie Stewart, whose hospital in Oklahoma serves as a humanitarian institution, both honorary members, also attended.

## Spicy Social Program

A filled social program enlivened the sessions.

On Tuesday evening, the out-of-town Zetas were greeted by Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Jimson upon arrival. A get-acquainted party was held at the YWCA by the Bator Rouge, Shreveport and Lake Charles chapters.

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority entertained at a coffee house in honor of the visitors and a "coke bare" was maintained by Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority.

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity entertained at cocktails and the Zeta Sigma dance was held on Friday evening.

The closed banquet was held at Hayes Chicken Shack. A fiesta was held in Rosenwald Hall and followed by a sight-seeing tour on Saturday.

## Dr. Ferebee Heard

Dr. Dorothy Ferebee, president of the National Council of Negro Women and an Afro-American columnist, was speaker at the open session, which also featured Soror Ellabella Davis, soprano.



# 6,000 Made Happy By Zeta Phi Beta Sorority

GREENSBORO, North Carolina—It was a happy New Year for 6,000 Shut-ins in ten Hospitals throughout the States and in several Homes for the infirmed because of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Cheer Project.

Vashti Goodman, National Chairman of the Zeta La Cheerios distributed Cheer Notes in lots of 500 to the following Hospitals; Flint Goodridge and Charity in New Orleans, Louisiana; Homer G. Phillips and St. Mary's in St. Louis, Missouri; Harlem, Bellevue, and Kingsbridge in New York City; Seaview and The Marine Hospital in Staten Island, N. Y.; and Koch's Hospital for TB Patients in St. Louis County in Missouri.

The Sorority at its annual Boule in New Orleans last week gave special thanks to Lou Swartz who had donated 2,000 of the 6,000 and to Mr. Weathers and his Staff at the Rapid Reproductions in NYU as well as to the Artist of the New York Amsterdam News, Tapley, who donated 3,000 Cheer notes and the Art work toward same.

La Cheerios' operate all through the year taking or sending Cheer in some form to Shut in Institutions located in areas where Zetas are active and Zeta's Ruth Thibodeau received special mention for the splendid Cheer Project being carried on in her Region—Louisiana. Also in for special mention were several other Chapters which sponsor regular Cheer visits to Hospitals monthly.

## Zeta Workshops At Boule Create New Interest

NEW ORLEANS, Louisiana—At the annual Boule of the Zeta Phi Beta Sorority the three Workshops created much interest among the 500 delegates attending the Sessions. "Administrative Procedures and Techniques," Leader Luellelia Harrison; "Leadership and Group Dynamic,"—Leader, Ruth Thibodeau; "Campus Problems"—Marion Dilliard.

Major points brought out in the Workshops were Services offered by National Officers; Interpreting, strengthening, and expanding Zeta; Meeting Competition on Campuses; and Sorors in charge were ready to give helpful suggestions and show Sorors the best ways to cope with various situation.

Grand Balleus, Dr. Nancy B. Woolridge of Hampton Institute presided at the major Business Sessions and brought much worthwhile information. The Boule Delegation concerning Project activities throughout the Nation and information which gave highlights to the Workshops. Zeta is definitely moving with the times in that their Sessions are beginning to take on practical sessions instead of so much discussion.

Other major Activities during the Boule Sessions were Regional Reports, Chapter Reports of which Evelyn Hunt of New York City was the Chairman; a Workshop and Panel on Zeta Projects; and a most interesting talk by Barbara Masor who in 1949-50 was exchange Teacher from New Rochelle, New York to England.

The Social Calendar was filled with spicy and delightful affairs which began with the Buffet Supper at Dr. and Mrs. Jimson's on Eagle, several Cocktail Parties and Dinners given by other Greek organizations; the Public meeting at which Ellabelle Davis was the featured Artist; the Zeta Dance; and the closed Banquet at which Soror Lucille Hunter gave a wonderful Welcome.

New Orleans Zetas were indeed most charming as Hostesses and also were the assisting Louisiana chapters.

## Zeta Phi Beta Sorority

### Presents "Girl Of The Year"

HOUSTON — On March 7, 1951 Zeta Phi Beta Sorority observed "Finer Womanhood Week" in the Wheatley auditorium. In the year of 1928, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority conceived the idea that they should make communities more conscious of their idea "Finer Womanhood," so Mrs. Anita Anderson, an outstanding member of the sorority, suggested that they observe the last week in February as "Finer Womanhood Week." They felt that this observance would encourage young women to uphold the highest standards of womanhood. Five years ago, the Zetas of Houston felt that they should encourage girls in the high school who are to be the women of tomorrow. The first girls, one from Yates and the other from Wheatley, were honored in 1947. Since that time, the idea has been adopted and a girl with character, scholarship and fine ideals is selected and presented each year.

Mrs. I. Y. Boman made the remarks about the history of the occasion. Afterwards, Mrs. Mable White introduced the guest speaker, Mrs. Lorene Boliver. She impressed the entire student body by emphasizing the need for young men and women to acquire aspirations which are noble. In conclusion, the speaker left this beautiful thought as one of the secrets of success: "Whatever you do, aim high, it's room at the top." Then Mrs. Boliver presented Miss Marjorie Conley as "Girl of the Year" of 1950-51.

Many gifts and telegrams of congratulations were bestowed on Miss Conley. Open house was held for Miss Conley during the afternoon in the home economics room where she presided as hostess to her many friends. Misses Audrey Johnson, president of the Senior Girls' Forum; Barbara Fields, president of the Student Council; and Aeronita Bell, president of the Home Room Presidents' Cabinet.

Acknowledgements and introduction of platform guests were made by Dean Evelyn J. Cunningham.

## Zetas Make Olders Happy Through 'Golden Age Clubs'

GREENSBORO, N. C. — Soror Vashti Goodman, National chairman of La Cherrios' - one of Zeta Phi Beta's National Projects proudly announces that Chapters are now busy organizing "Golden Age" Clubs in their various communities.

Mrs. Goodman said in her recent Bulletin to Chapters. "Today there is much work being done with the aged so as to help preserve their personalities, keep them happy lengthen their lives, and direct their creative energies. Let us join in and keep up with the trend of the times. Programs can be developed in the Homes for the Aged and in the communities by our Zeta women. Leaders may be secured for Religious Services in the Homes once weekly. Plan now through classes in Arts and Crafts to bring an Exhibit to the Boule. Take those who are able to the Movies once weekly furnishing transportation."